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Austerity measures run into trouble

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

The government's inability to introduce the drastic spending cuts necessary to alleviate the economic crisis has raised concern among policy-makers over what might occur when the 3-month wage-price freeze package expires in January.

The freeze, instituted last month, was seen as a temporary means of curbing inflation while the government utilized the "breathing spell" to hammer out an economic policy of austerity which virtually all economists consider urgent.

But the measures taken to date fall far short of the austerity goals and were agreed to only after bitter wrangling among the various ministeries over where the axe would fall.

The unity government indeed, authorized a $1 billion slash in the state budget when it took office last September. But Finance Minister Yitzhak Modai has argued strenuously since then that an additional $500 million cut is necessary, at the very least.

Last week, an ad hoc committee of four, headed by Modai, recommended an additional $395 million cut in the national budget. Other members of the committee are Economic Minister Gad Yaacobi and Ministers-Without Portfolio Ezer Weizman and Moshe Arens.

But they ran into trouble when they brought their proposals before their colleagues at a stormy 5-hour special session of the cabinet. The outcome was that the recommended cut was whittled down to $365 million.

The stiffest opposition to the proposed cuts come from the ministries with the largest budgets: defence, headed by Yitzhak Rabin, housing by David Levy and education by Yitzhak Navon.

Another obstacle to spending cuts is Histadrut's demands that the Treasury honor existing wage agreements and pay workers their increases when due. Modai offered the wage hikes in exchange for an agreement to raise the prices of subsidized

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2-week Canadian visit

Sephardic Chief Rabbi here

MONTREAL —

The Sephardic Chief Rabbi of Israel, Mordechai Eliyahu, arrived at Mirabel Airport Monday to begin a 2-week Canadian visit.

He went on to Toronto for three days and is then scheduled to return to Montreal for the rest of the visit, except for brief trips to Ottawa and Quebec City.

An ambitious itinerary has been laid out for the Chief Rabbi — known by the Sephardic community as the Rishon Letzion — which includes tours of Jewish schools, synagogues and institutions, meeting with public officials and numerous receptions and gala evenings.

Eliyahu meets with Ontario Premier William Davis and Lieutenant-Governor John Aird today (Dec. 13). On Dec. 19, he is to see Quebec Premier Rene Levesque in Quebec City, and Montreal Mayor Jean Drapeau at City Hall Dec. 21.

On the first two days of his visit, Eliyahu toured Jewish day schools in Montreal, officiated at the inauguration of the Centre Sepharade Rabbinique Maghen David, the headquarters of the Sephardic rabbinate of Quebec; and met with local rabbis at the Vaad Ha'ir. He then flew to Toronto for a gala evening at Congregation Petah Tikvah, organized by the Ontario Sephardic Association, and a public reception at the Lipa Green Building.

The night before he leaves Canada, Dec. 22, he will be treated to a concert of Israeli and Egyptian music at Place des Arts featuring popular Sephardic singer Samy Elmaghribi, who will be giving the final performance of his career.

Sephardic Chief Rabbi Mordechai Eliyahu.

Peres in Paris: hails France

PARIS (JTA) —

Israel Prime Minister Shimon Peres declared here last week that France ranks as one of Israel's major allies. "Israel needs and now has two major allies — the United States and France," Peres said at a banquet given in his honor by French Premier Laurent Fabius.

The Israeli leader was here for a 3-day official visit, the first incumbent Israeli premier to come to France since the late David Ben-Gurion.

The warm welcome he received at Orly Airport and at an appearance before the National Assembly was reflected at the banquet where Fabius stressed the renewal of the Franco-Israeli "special relationship" after a 20-year break.

"France is and will remain loyal to her friends. I welcome our friend Shimon Peres, Prime Minister of our friend Israel," Fabius declared before the dinner guests who included a half dozen ranking cabinet ministers.

During his visit here Peres met privately with President Francois Mitterrand for a detailed discussion of Middle East issues and bilateral relations. Mitterrand is the only Western statesman who has in recent months met with a wide array of Arab leaders including King Hassan of Morocco, President Habib Bourguiba of Tunisia, Muammar Qaddafi of Libya, King Hussein of Jordan, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Syria's president Hafez Assad.

There was great interest expressed here in a report that Peres and Fabius had discussed the purchase by Israel of a nuclear power station manufactured in France. Fabius confirmed the matter had been discussed.

Peres hosted a reception at the Israeli embassy and was guest of honor at a dinner given by the French Jewish community.

Early deadlines

Because of the upcoming public holidays deadlines for the Dec. 27 and Jan. 3 issues are advanced. (It's past deadline now for the Dec. 20 issue.)

Editorial deadline for the Dec. 27 issue is Monday, Dec. 17 in Toronto; Friday, Dec. 14 in Montreal.

The Jan. 3 editorial deadline is Friday, Dec. 21 in Toronto; Thursday, Dec. 20 in Montreal.

Advertising deadline for Dec. 27 issue is Tuesday, 2 p.m., Dec. 18; for the Jan. 3 issue, noon on Monday, Dec. 24.

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Mubarak, Hussein rapped

PLO endorsement angers Israelis

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Israeli officials have expressed outrage and disappointment over the joint communique issued last week by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and King Hussein of Jordan in Cairo endorsing the Palestine Liberation Organization as a full partner in negotiations to resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict and requiring Israel to relinguish all territories it captured in 1967 — including East Jerusalem — in exchange for peace.

The pair also called for an international peace conference to be attended by, among others, the PLO and the Soviet Union.

The Reagan administration maintained that the best way to achieve peace in the Middle East was through direct talks between Israel and the Arabs rather than the international conference called for by King Hussein and President Hosni Mubarak.

"We don't believe that such an international conference will lead to productive results," state department deputy spokesman Alan Romberg said. He said the U.S. feels that the "most practical course is direct negotiations between Israel and the Arab parties concerned as envisioned by the Camp David process."

Meanwhile, Israel's foreign ministry welcomed a statement by leaders of the European Economic Community that direct negotiations between the warring parties are essential to advance peace in the region.

However, it took sharp exception to the view that the PLO must be "associated" with peace efforts.

Support for Likud takes a sharp drop

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

If elections were held today, Likud would lose 13% of its seats to the Labor Party, most of the smaller parties would retain their present representation in the Knesset, but Rabbi Meir Kahane's extremist Kach faction would increase its strength from one to three Knesset mandates, according to a public opinion poll published in Maariv last week.

The poll found that Likud would lose seven of the 41 seats it won in the elections last July 23 for a new total of 34 seats. Labor would increase its strength from 40 to 52 seats, largely at the expense of Likud.

The National Religious Party would retain its present four seats; Agudat Israel its two; Tami its single seat; the Citizens Rights Movement (CRM) its present four; Shinui its three seats; and the Hadash Communist Party and the Progressive List for Peace their combined total of six.

But Mapam, which won six seats when it ran as part of the Labor Alignment last July, would drop to one in its present independent status. The new right wing religious party Morasha would lose one of its two seats and former Finance Minister Yigal Hurwitz's 1-man Ometz faction would be eliminated.

On the far right, in addition to a 2-seat gain by Kach, the Tehiya Party would increase its Knesset mandates from five to six.

Egypt's leader stresses commitment to pact

NEW YORK (JTA) —

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak reiterated his commitment to the 1979 Israel-Egypt peace treaty in a wide-ranging interview published last week in The Wall Street Journal. The 90-minute interview was conducted in Cairo.

"We signed a peace agreement and we respect it," Mubarak was quoted. "Whenever we sign an agreement it is finished. Nobody will persuade us to cancel an agreement we have signed."

But the Egyptian leader appeared, according to the authors of the article, "equally adamant" that relations with Israel will not improve until, among other things, Israel leaves Lebanon.

On the disputed Taba region, which straddles the Israeli-Egyptian border in the Sinai, Mubarak said the issue has become a "national cause" for the Egyptian people. But he downplayed this in contrast to the Lebanon and the Palestinian issue.

Mubarak expressed disappointment with the United States, on one hand, because the U.S. has not pressed for a Mideast peace settlement, and on the other hand, because he says the United States has not fulfilled the commitment by the Carter administration to give Israel and Egypt equal military and economic aid.

"Since the first year, we were not treated on an equal basis," he said. "We are not getting the same amount as Israel," adding that what Egypt is getting in American aid now must go to repay the U.S. for previous purchases of American arms.

"WE'RE ALIVE"

The picture is a copy of a photograph of Soviet dissident Andrei Sakharov, right, and his wife, Yelena Bonner, received recently by Sakharov's niece, Tatiana Yankelevich at her home in Newton, Mass. The photo came with a note saying it was sent to "convince you at last that we are alive." The plight of the Sakharovs continues to be a highlight of concern for human rights activists and others in the West who are alarmed at the repression by Soviet authorities. [Religious News service photo]

Judge's reasoning flawed

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

On its front page recently, the Toronto Globe and Mail carried a report from England that a family had been awarded about $10,000 in compensation for the accidental death of their son. In making the award, the judge said that the boy probably would have had a manual job when he grew up — unlike a boy from a rich family who could expect to be educated and have a larger income — and that the modest award was made because of modest expectations.

Rabbi Plaut

What a thought! To be sure, there is such a thing as insurance compensation for the loss of expected earnings, but I cannot fathom how the judge could seriously imply that the 14-year-old dead boy would have contributed in the neighborhood of $10,000 to the support of his stricken parents.

To me, the story read as a replay of ancient legal reasoning which I thought had died some 5,000 years ago. Then, indeed, amongst the Babylonians and the Hittites, distinctions of that kind were made.

For instance, in the Code of Hammurabi, sections 195 and 198, it says: "If a nobleman has destroyed the eye of a member of the aristocracy, they shall destroy his eye. If he has destroyed the eye of a commoner, he shall pay compensation of one mina of silver."

The Torah did away with such class distinctions, and said [Exodus 22:12]: "He who fatally strikes a person shall be put to death." It later specifies that even when it comes to slaves one owns, the human quality of the slave is to be respected: "When a person strikes his own slave, male or female, with a rod, and the slave dies there and then, the slave must be avenged." [Verse 20]

The general rule the judge overlooked was already encased in Leviticus 19:15: "You shall not render an unfair decision: do not favor the poor or show deference to the rich; judge your neighbor fairly."

And one more quotation. In the Book of Job we read [34:19]: "God is not partial to princes; the noble are not preferred to the rich; for all of them are the work of God's hands."

But quite aside from such well eatablished religious rules, the judge cannot even be said to have been truly pragmatic. He simply worked on what appeared to him a law of averages.

No prophetic quality

To be sure, boys from poor families — the dead child's father is a tenant farmer — make less money when they grow up than children from rich families. But the judge had no prophetic quality. He could not know that perhaps this one boy would have become one of England's great industrialists. Who could have predicted that Samuel Bronfman would grow up and have the kind of success he did? And there were many others of this kind . . . not only in North America.

When it comes right down to it, the kind of reasoning the judge undertook is simply odious. Parents no longer have children (as perhaps once they did) as insurance policies for their old age. Were they indeed only that, then the judge would at least have had a framework (however repellant) in which to apply his reasoning.

But we are long past that time and past that kind of society. Nowadays, all parents from whatever class of life they may come, have children because they want them — because it is a natural and God-given impulse for human beings to perpetuate themselves and to bring a new generation into the world. Poor people's feelings are worth no less than those of rich ones; and in that sense there is no adequate sum that can be said to reflect the worth of a human being.

Insurance policies take an arbitrary number and apply it to the worth of anyone's hand, foot, or arm. Judge Martin Tucker would have done better if he had left his spurious reasoning aside and taken an arbitrary figure of some kind and let it go at that. Trying to justify his award by sociological gibberish smacks of the England that was Edwardian and Victorian. Apparently that spirit still exists, even in the halls of justice.

Ambassador's remarks anger all

By
WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

U.S. ambssador to Israel Samuel Lewis caused a major stir on the eve of the U.S. presidential campaign by sharply criticizing the timing of President Reagan's Sept. 1, 1982 Arab-Israeli peace initiative. "The timing, in my opinion, was abysmal, the tactics of presentation worse and the outcome, so far, nil," he told a group at Tel Aviv University.

His candid comments predictably generated speculation that he was planning to wind up a 7-year tour of duty in Tel Aviv to return to the United States. If that now turns out to be the case, Lewis should know that he did not only anger Reagan and his Republican political advisors.

Upon his return, he will also have to face the wrath of a Democrat — former Middle East envoy Robert Strauss who was another target of Lewis' criticism.

"There was a cultural problem between Bob and the Middle East," Lewis said. "He had never been here before, and his informal Texas style was unsuited for subtle negotiations."

Strauss, who is not exactly shy and is still a formidable figure in the U.S. political establishment, was clearly angered by Lewis' putdown. But he is someone who follows the principle: "Don't Get Mad — Get Even."

At a Washington reception the other day honoring Leon Charney's new book on the Camp David peace process, Special Counsel, Strauss indicated that he would eventually find a way of doing exactly that.

Charney, by the way, quickly came to Strauss' defence. "I think Lewis' comments about Bob Strauss are without merit," he said. "I think Strauss was a Texas negotiator; his heart was in the right place and he gave it all the human effort possible to try to accomplish his mission. He was in constant contact with me for concepts and ideas. For Sam Lewis to attack Bob Strauss is grossly unfair."

Charney, a New York lawyer who served as an unofficial back channel between the Israeli government and the Carter administration, went on to add his own sharp criticism of the U.S. ambassador to Israel. "Sam Lewis seems to have forgotten that he is an American ambassador to Israel and not the High Commissioner of Palestine. He was not particularly helpful to me even though he was quite aware of my role and knew I had direct access to the highest U.S. and Israeli officials and that my contacts were invaluable.

"I had the strangest feeling with him, although I am an American and although I was going into my embassy. I felt I was going into a foreign embassy. The converse was true of (former U.S. ambassador) Milton Wolf in Vienna who gave me all the facilities in the embassy when we were on a special mission involving the U.S. hostages in Iran. When the hostage situation broke out, Lewis felt it was a propitious moment to go deep sea diving in Sinai. Ezer Weizman looked at me with astonishment and said, 'Your own ambassador doesn't think it's so important. He's fishing in Sinai.' "

Ze'ev Chafets, the former director of the Israel government press office, has created a stir with the publication of his Double Vision: How the Press Distorts America's View of the Middle East. The book has been both hailed and condemned by a succession of reviews in several major U.S. publications. But it has been pointedly ignored by the television networks.

His major argument is that the U.S. news media in recent years — both print as well as electronic — distorted coverage of the Arab-Israel conflict in favor of the Arabs. He cites many reasons, including physical harassment. "Reuters, Time, Newsweek, The New York Times, The Washington Post, ABC, the Associated Press — to name only some — were subjected to intimidation and violence by the Syrians or the PLO," he writes. "Many of these organizations made changes of personnel as a result of intimidation, and others made accommodations about which we can only speculate."

Chafets, an effective and witty speaker, has just completed a month-long publicity tour around the United States. He spoke in numerous cities and received exposure in several local newspapers.

His book was excerpted in Commentary Magazine. It was reviewed very favorably in the Columbia Journalism Review and The New Republican. It received a more mixed review in The New York Times. Predictably, it was sharply criticized by The Washington Post — one of Chafets' main targets.

The printed press in America has clearly not been afraid to consider his allegations. But thunderously silent have been the major television news networks, which have simply ignored them. The networks refused to interview Chafets on any of their national news programs, such as Good Morning America, Nightline, and the Today Show which traditionally have served as the most effective vehicle for an author to promote a new book.

Two years ago, Max Frankel, the powerful editor of The New York Times editorial page, wrote two signed columns suggesting that some senior Israeli politicians — he refused to identify them — had recommended to him that the U.S. actually cut back on its generous economic and military assistance package to Israel in order to help the then Labor opposition topple the Likud-led government.

An understandable commotion erupted as Frankel's points were splashed on the front page of Israeli newspapers. There was intense interest over the identity of the Labor leaders who offered that suggestion. At the time, there was widespread — but never proven — speculation that former Foreign Minister Abba Eban may have been Frankel's source. Eban denied it strongly. Frankel has remained silent.

But now, several irate Israeli officials in Washington and New York are once again pointing their fingers at Eban who was quoted in a recent issue of Parade Magazine as saying that the U.S. actually might be doing Israel a favor by cutting back on aid. Parade is the popular Sunday supplement which appears in numerous local newspapers around the country — potentially reaching more than 100 million Americans.

Its former editor, Jess Gorkin, wrote a relatively tame article entitled "What America Must Do — Can We Bring Peace to the Middle East?" He does not come up with any real answers but concludes with a quote from Eban. Gorkin said that Eban, currently chairman of the Knesset foreign affairs and defence committee, "perhaps summed it up best" when during an interview he spoke "in a moment of great candor." Asked whether he wasn't happy with the enormous support Israel has received from the U.S., Eban replied:

"In a way, we Israelis ought to be absolutely grateful. America has given us all the money and weapons and diplomatic support we could ever hope for. Yet, to be frank, I think you have to risk getting us a bit angry at you. Henry Kissinger and Jimmy Carter made us angry, but, as you remember, they also brought us peace with Egypt. . . The new American administration is going to have to push us a bit more to finish this peace process. That is the greatest gift you Americans can still give to us — to all the people in this war-weary area."

Anti-abortion radicals practice domestic terrorism

By
ELLEN GOODMAN

BOSTON —

The entries in the daily log are almost routine now. A bomb threat in Washington. Two more in Maryland. Another in Pennsylvania. A ketchup-covered long-bladed knife found against a door in South Dakota.

Nothing extraordinary. No devices have gone off this week. Nobody has been hurt. You might even say that things have settled down since Nov. 19, when an abortion clinic and a family planning clinic, both in Maryland, were bombed. Certainly there has been no event as freakish as the one in Alabama on Nov. 15, when a part-time abortion counselor, who had been harassed by anti-abortionists, came home to find her cat decapitated.

But Barbara Radford, the head of the National Abortion Federation that keeps track of these acts, has no illusion that the worst is over. Quite the contrary. "We've seen a rise in bombings, a rise in arson, a rise in death threats to clinic personnel," says Radford. This year alone 24 centres in seven states have been damaged by fire or explosion and so has her NAF office. In addition, there have been 150 reported cases of vandalism and harassment.

There is no proof that pro-life groups are behind these incidents, nor do we know for sure that these acts are connected. But we do know that the bombings, the fires, the crimes are occurring in an atmosphere of general frustration, of escalation anger, and mounting pressure for action among anti-abortion activists.

These groups have not won a legislative or legal battle in a long time. A constitutional amendment to ban abortions is stalled. The Supreme Court last spring reaffirmed abortion rights.

Thwarted in one direction, some right-to-lifers have been shifting in another direction: toward direct action against clinics and patients and doctors. As Alice Wolfson of the Committee to Defend Reproductive Rights has said, "If they can't make abortion illegal, they're going to try to make it impossible."

Inside the pro-life movement, moderate leaders are losing ground to extremists. Once, a man like Joe Schiedler, the head of the Chicago-based Pro-Life Action Group, was scorned by the mainstream. While the moderates work to change the law, Scheidler specializes in harassing patients, disrupting clinics, invading with "truth squads."

Scheidler calls the moderate leaders the "wimpish pro-lifers," "the lilypads for life." Yet this year, he was not only welcome at the annual convention of the National Right to Life Committee but in the White House. He joined other anti-abortion leaders when they met with President Reagan.

As the centre has shifted, so has the radical fringe moved further into more danger territory. The acceptance of aggressive tactics by moderates makes it easier for the bombers and burners to flourish. The radical ground is fertilized with rationalizations.

Scheidler, for example, says that "we intend to shut down the (abortion) industry." Of the bombers and burners he merely reports, "I don't condemn them, I don't promote them. What we've seen is some damaged real estate. . . . It's like bombing Dachau and getting away without hurting anyone."

So, in turn, a criminal like Curt Beseda, convicted of four felonies against clinics in Washington state, uses this same reasoning to justify his acts: "Tomorrow, no child will be put to death there."

The tactics of "direct action" have escalated into a form of domestic terrorism. A small band of fanatics have set out to impose their political will through fear rather than persuasion. Those who cannot change the law by peaceful means justify violence. The most bizarre among them are even risking murder out of the conviction that they are stopping murder.

This terrorism has had no measureable effect on the number of abortions being performed. Women are rarely scared or harassed into maternity; we know that from years of illegal abortions.

But it does offer a closeup, a portrait of fanaticism at work in our culture. Fanaticism wears the same face whether it's in Lebanon or Maryland. Sometimes it even carries the same weapons.

President Reagan once described terrorists this way: "They are possessed by a fanatical intensity that individuals in a civilized society can only barely comprehend." Recently, his administration launched its program to "get tough" on international terrorism. But we're still waiting for the condemnation of domestic terrorism that has taken place right down the street from the White House.

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"Reasonable people" in both camps

Israeli, Palestinian agree on chance for peace

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

An Israeli and a Palestinian debated recently and both agreed that there is a consensus for peace among Israelis and Palestinians.

Tzaly Reshef, the chief spokesman for Peace Now, and Sari Nusseibah, a West Bank philosophy professor, emerged from a 2-hour symposium with the feeling that, although peace is not at hand, the people of the region desire it.

The meeting, held at the University of Toronto, was sponsored by Canadian Friends of Peace Now. It was billed as the first dialogue between an Israeli and a Palestinian in Canada.

Reshef and Nusseibah were scheduled to address audiences in Montreal and in Ottawa as well.

Saying there are "reasonable people" in both camps, Reshef pointed out that Israelis have come to understand that dialogue with the enemy is essential, while Palestinians have reached the realization that Israel cannot be destroyed.

Expressing gratitude for being able to speak to a predominantly Jewish audience, Nusseibah said that the majority of Palestinians seek a peaceful settlement on the basis of mutual Israeli and Palestinian sovereignty.

Nusseibah, who described himself as a Palestinian nationalist, said he detects "a readiness" for peace on both sides.

However, each speaker acknowledged the difficulties blocking a solution.

Reshef, a Jerusalem lawyer and a reserve officer in the intelligence branch of the armed forces, said that "petty political considerations" stood in the way of a settlement.

Israel's present national unity government, he said, is not prepared to encourage moderates within the PLO which, he claimed, "seems like the only representative organization of the Palestinians."

The Palestinians, by contrast, want to heal the deep divisions which have rent the PLO, and fear that Israel would reject a meaningful peace plan.

The son of a former governor of Jerusalem and a former Jordanian minister of defence, Nusseibah conceded that the Palestine National Council — the Palestinians' parliament-in-exile — was not at this juncture ready to openly recognize Israel.

He did not explain the reason for this, but he did stress the need for a Palestinian state. Nusseibah, warning of the dangers of leaving the Arab-Israeli dispute to fester, said the Middle East is one of "the likely places" for nuclear war.

Although Reshef said he was pleased by the PNC's recent decision in Amman to work for a diplomatic solution with Jordan and Egypt, he said he was disappointed with its failure to recognize Israel.

Reshef said he believes the PLO is "more moderate" today than in the past, but he warned that Israelis like himself would find it difficult to mobilize Israeli public opinion in favor a rapprochement with the Palestinians unless the PLO adopts clear resolutions recognizing Israel.

He charged that the resolutions tabled in Amman, which included a call to armed struggle against Israel, were, in a way, expressions of traditional PLO policy.

Suggesting that Israel should acquiesce to the establishment of a Palestinian entity, Reshef urged his government to negotiate with any Palestinian group prepared to live in peace with the Jewish state.

Partition of Palestine among Jews and Arabs, he said, was the most promising solution. The Palestinians, he added, recognize the fact that Arabs and Jews must live together in the same area.

Sooner or later, he forecast, Israel would have to deal with the PLO.

Nusseibah, who teaches at Bir Zeit University, implied he ran the risk of being identified as a traitor by appearing with Reshef. But, he went on to say, he was convinced that individuals must try as best they can to "influence events and make the world a better place, insofar as one can."

He said that Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza was mainly an Israeli problem, since Israel must decide the nature of the state it desires to build.

Declaring he sought a solution not because he loved Israel or Zionism, Nusseibah said the basic issue boiled down to this: "Is Israel prepared to come to terms with Palestinian sovereignty on an equal footing?" To mild applause, he said: "Let us be sovereigns and equals."

Nusseibah said that East Jerusalem, now annexed by Israel, should be the capital of a Palestinian state. He said the Western Wall and the Jewish quarter in East Jerusalem could be attached to Israel.

Asked why there are no Arab equivalents of Peace Now, he ducked the question momentarily, then said that most Palestinians on the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip would accept Israel's existence after the formation of an independent Palestinian state.

Nusseibah said that the Soviet Union and Syria should be part of any negotiated agreement if it is to last.

Recognizes humanitarian acts

3 share Jabotinsky Prize

NEW YORK (JTA) —

The 1984 Jabotinsky Prize, given for "outstanding service in defence of the rights of the Jewish People" has been awarded jointly to Israel's former United Nations ambassador, Yehuda Blum, Nazi hunter Beate Klarsfeld and imprisoned Soviet Refusenik Anatoly Scharansky.

The $100,000 award, to be divided between the three winners, was announced by Eryk Spektor, founder and chairman of the Jabotinsky Foundation in a ceremony at the Jewish Museum here last week. Benyamin Netanyahu, Israel's current UN ambassador, gave the keynote address.

Blum, who served as ambassador from 1978 to 1984 was cited for his "courage and eloquence in defending the honor and rights of the Jewish people and the State of Israel" during his tenure at the UN.

Klarsfeld was honored for her efforts "to identify and apprehend Nazi war criminals, securing the rights of the Jewish people for international justice for the crime of the Holocaust"

Scharansky was cited for his "courageous opposition to Soviet oppression of Jews and his dedication to Jewish values at great personal cost." He is currently incarcerated in a labor camp in the Soviet Union and is reported to be in poor health.

The prize was created last year by the Jabotinsky Foundation to honor the memory of the Zionist Revisionist leader and philosopher Ze'ev Vladimir Jabotinsky.

The foundation says the award is the first given by an American Jewish organization to single out humanitarian actions taken specifically on behalf of Jews. It also says the Jabotinsky Prize is the only award given by a U.S. Jewish group to include a sizeable honorarium.

Yehuda Blum

Anatoly Scharansky

Beate Klarsfeld

This year's judges include Spektor; Morris Abram, a member of the President's Council of Civil Rights; Kenneth Bialkin, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations; industrialist Thomas Hecht; advisor to the (Israeli) Prime Minister, Reuven Hecht; Alan Greenberg, partner in the investment firm of Bear Stearns and Co.; Dr. Norman Lamm, president of Yeshiva University; former ambassador John Loeb Jr.; Milton Petrie, chairman of Petrie Stores Inc.; Nobel Laureate Prof. I. I. Rabi; Peggy Tishman, president of the Jewish Community Relations Council of New York; and philanthropist Mrs. Roy Titus.

Presidents of major Jewish organizations in the U.S. and the leaders of Jewish communities in other nations were invited to comment on a number of candidates proposed for the prize. Their responses formed the basis of the judges' deliberations.

In 1983, a one time Founders Award was presented to the former Prime Minister of Israel, Menachem Begin. The 1983 Prize was shared by the late Senator Henry Jackson, Soviet Prisoner of Conscience Yosef Begun and former president of the European Parliament, Simone Veil.

"Blood libel" claim hit

NEW YORK (JTA) —

Former Defence Minister Ariel Sharon was sharply attacked for charging Time Magazine with "blood libel" in his suit against the American weekly.

Amos Perlmutter, a professor of political science at American University in Washington wrote in the New York Times last week that by charging blood libel Sharon is "wrapping himself in the flag of Israel and Judaism, not to make a moral point but to protect his scarred reputation.

"In charging Time with blood libel," the writer continued, "he is playing upon the Jewish people's historic anxieties about their relations with Christians — exploiting centuries of tragedy and misunderstanding to serve his personal ambition."

Perlmutter added: "Sharon has wrapped himself in the flag of Israel, but he does not wear it well. He has also, I believe, miscalculated badly. Too many Israelis resent his posturing, too many are still paying the price — moral, physical and political — for his misadventure in Lebanon. And these Jews, who know the meaning of blood libel can only wish that he would drop this ugly and demeaning phrase."

Aloni, Austrian author receive Kreisky awards

VIENNA (JTA) —

The third Bruno Kreisky peace prizes were awarded recently to Knesset member Shulamit Aloni, the Society of Austrian Friends of Tel Aviv University and Oswald Amstler, an Austrian writer who has published booklets on children in concentration camps.

Aloni, an MK of the Civil Rights Movement (CRM), was cited for her fight for civil rights and for understanding between Jews and Arabs. The Friends of Tel Aviv University were awarded the prize for its support of biological research to fight hunger.

The prize, funded by Austrian banks and by contributions from employers and workers in Vienna and the province of Carinthia, was established in 1976 to honor the then chancellor of Austria, Bruno Kreisky, on his 65th birthday.

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By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

Question: I would appreciate your following up the discussion on the subject of divorces as a mitzvah for a man (Oct. 25), with one detailing the other side of the question. Are there any teachings enabling a woman to divorce her husband on similar grounds: infidelity, immodesty or "bathing with women?"

— Mary Freeman, Willowdale, Ont

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Rabbi Burak

Main principles in Jewish law are usually the same for men and women. Therefore, those flaws and imperfections that make a woman an undesirable wife, make the man an undesirable husband. That is the way a chapter heading spells it out in our Code, Shulchan 'Aruch, E. H. Chapter 154, and there are 24 paragraphs in this chapter.

By the very nature of things, there are even a few complaints on the basis of which a woman may ask for a get and a man may not. Thus, if a man refuses to become a worker and support his wife, she can demand a divorce. Women executives who can afford to support themselves and their husbands were unknown in those days.

So too, if a man continues to beat his wife after the Beth Din has warned him that this is not the way for a Jewish husband to behave, he is asked to give a get. That a woman should beat her husband was unknown in those days, though it is not entirely unknown in our times.

Again, if a man drives his wife out of her home, he is told that this calls for a get. The same holds true if he denies her the conjugal rights that she expects and are prescribed by our laws.

Before the age of deodorants, the code proclaimed that a man whose odor is so abominable as to be unbearable, must divorce his wife. If, however, she was aware of his problem and still married him, she is asked to stick to her bargain.

Despite all this, women cannot get their divorces all that easily. The Beth Din has long lacked the power to enforce such rules.

In the days of the talmudic sages, the Beth Din had the power to give rulings and to call its police officers into action. Those who did not heed the moral authority of those courts, respected the rods which their shotrim wielded so effectively. Even when our people no longer lived in Israel or in Babylon, the civil authorities of the countries where they resided often gave them the right to have their own courts and the officers to enforce the rabbinical rulings. This was true in the Arabic world, and in Spain.

In other lands, especially in countries where church and state were the ruling partners, the state was ready to back up the rulings of the Beth Din. An unwilling husband would be told by the civil magistrate to do what the religious authorities asked of him . . . or else. Today, in the main, our authority depends on the decency of the people.

Infidelity calls for a divorce, not by brute power but by persuasion. Some men in this situation prove to be hard of hearing, totally deaf. History records a conversation between a rabbi and such a husband. It took place on the second floor office of the Beth Din. The rav said to the husband: "Remember, my son, a wife gains her freedom in one of two ways. Either her husband divorces her, and she is free. Or, her husband dies, and she is free. What way do you choose?"

The husband was not scared at all. He walked out in anger, tripped over the door step; when he arrived at the bottom of the stairs, he was dead and she was free.

Infidelity is a very serious problem these days, made popular by the theatre and television. Some people behave like those well-fed dogs, who, on leaving the house cannot resist tearing into a bag of garbage, and tasting the decayed leftovers. In another gilgul they may get their wish, and be reincarnated as dogs — free to enjoy the lifestyle they found so very exciting.

Bible readings

The parsha for this week, which in the weekly schedule of Bible readings should be read Friday, Dec. 14, is Vayeshev (Genesis 37-40). This parsha begins the story of Joseph.

The haftorah (read in synagogue on Shabbat morning immediately after the Torah reading) is Amos 2:1-3:8. Read this on Shabbat.

During the week, continue with the Psalms, reading one a day begining with 143 on Sunday and ending on Thursday with 147.

Agrees to foreign observers

Paraguay begins search for Mengele

NEW YORK (JTA) — Paraguay has begun what was described here as a thorough nationwide investigation to locate Josef Mengele, the Nazi war criminal and chief doctor at the Auschwitz concentration camp responsible for the murder of tens of thousands of Jews during World War II.

The investigation will be conducted by police authorities in Paraguay under the ministry of interior, according to Elizabeth Holtzman, Brooklyn district attorney who returned recently from a 3-day visit to Paraguay as a member of a delegation of four persons who traveled there under the sponsorship of the International Network of Children of Jewish Holocaust Survivors.

Furthermore, Holtzman told reporters, Paraguayan officials have also agreed to allow foreign observers to monitor the investigation and will allow for written questions to be submitted to the government about the whereabouts of Mengele, who is believed to be living in Paraguay.

Holtzman said she has contacted the justice department's Office of Special Investigations on the matter of observers to the investigation.

Holtzman, who was instrumental as a member of Congress in the establishment of the OSI, was flanked at the news conference by the other members of the delegation: Menachem Rosensaft, founding chairman of the International Network of Children of Jewish Holocaust Survivors, Beate Klarsfeld, who has brought a number of Nazi war criminals to justice; and Bishop Rene Valero of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn.

Mengele, who would now be 74 years old, received Paraguayan citizenship in 1959, which was revoked in 1979. Since 1962, West Germany has issued at least 10 requests to Paraguay for Mengele's extradition. He is wanted in West Germany for crimes against humanity.

Holtzman described the delegation's visit as a success, noting that this marked the first time the government has agreed to answer formal written questions on Mengele. She said this has significantly increased the potential of finding Mengele, who has not been seen in public for years, although believed to still be residing in Paraguay.

The Brooklyn district attorney also called on the Reagan administration to press the issue of Mengele with the Storessner government, saying it should become a top priority in dealings with Paraguay.

She told reporters in response to questions that while there is no way to confirm that Mengele is in Paraguay, she claimed she was told that the Auschwitz doctor is still in the country. She would not say from whom or where this information was provided.

Romania's chief rabbi takes positive outlook

NEW YORK (JTA) — Chief Rabbi Moses Rosen of Romania last week described the Jewish community there as a "proud and very active" group that despite its dwindling population and increasing age, continues to practice and teach Jewish education and culture.

To emphasize this point, Rosen stressed that there are 68 organized Jewish communities, with 138 synagogues throughout the country. In the capital of Bucharest, where more than half of the 26,000 member Romanian Jewish community reside, there are eight synagogues conducting daily services, with as many as 10 holding services on the Sabbath.

All synagogues in Romania, Rosen said, are repaired and in good condition.

There are 24 Talmud Torah classes in Bucharest, and Rosen noted with some amusement that students attend classes carrying books on Marx, since Torah class is held directly after regular day school for the students.

Romanian Jewry had some 800,000 people before World War II. Of the 400,000 who either remained in Romania or were not killed during the war, the overwhelming majority have made aliya.

The Chief Rabbi, who has been a member of the Romanian parliament for 27 years, touched briefly on the emergence of anti-semitic articles in a number of press reports and in certain literary circles in the country. He has been assured in the past that this would cease. This assurance came from President Nicolae Ceausescu, he said.

But Rosen suggested that there are certain anti-semitic elements in Romania that have allowed for the publication of anti-semitic slurs and attacks on the Jews. While Ceausescu said the person responsible for the circulation for such materials has been punished, Rosen speculated that this was not the work of one individual but that of a group of people.

Amnesty nets arsenal

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Stolen army property amounting to a virtual weapons arsenal valued at about $3 million was returned to the Israeli Defence Force last month. The IDF had declared November a "month of grace" during which citizens could return illegally obtained equipment to military bases or police stations without questioning or risk of punishment.

According to the IDF, the grace period yielded 670 Soviet-made Kalachnikov assault rifles, a favorite weapon of the Palestine Liberation Organization and other terrorist groups, large numbers of which were captured during the war in Lebanon.

Other weapons turned in included large calibre artillery shells, Uzi submachineguns, hand grenades and thousands of army-issue sleeping bags and quilted jackets.

The military police announced that a new search for stolen army property will be undertaken this month. Police will conduct the search in various factories and will check civilians at bus stops for items "borrowed" from the IDF, a spokesman said.

Poale Aguda may pull out

NEW YORK (JTA) — Israeli MK Avraham Werdyger, leader of the Poale Agudath Israel party, said last week that he would recommend that his party quit the government coalition if the Knesset rejects the amendment to the Law of Return, also known as Who is a Jew law.

The amendment to the law requires that all conversion to Judaism be conducted according to halacha. The amendment is expected to be voted on in the next few weeks. Werdyger represents his party in the Knesset within the Morasha faction which has another MK, Rabbi Haim Druckman. Werdyger arrived in New York for the annual dinner of the Poale Agudath Israel of America.

"The amendment to the Law of Return must take place," Werdyger said in a press conference here. He expressed the hope that the amendment will be adopted, noting that at least 38 Likud MKs, 12 MKs of the religious camp and five MKs of the Tehiya Party as well as Ezer Weizman's Yahad faction already committed themselves to support conversion according to halacha.

He also said that MK Rabbi Meir Kahane and MK Aharon Abu Hatzeira will support the amendment.

"But if the amendment will not pass, we will find ourselves in trouble. I personally will call for quitting the coalition," he said.

He said that his party is interested "above all in things to promote religious interests in Israel" and those include a new Shabbat law to give the Jewish state a "Jewish face" on Saturday. He said that included the banning of public transportation and sport events on Saturdays.

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Visit makes student leader hopeful

Jews in India retain identity despite isolation

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Twenty-five hundred years ago a group of Jews fled Israel in the throes of the destruction of the First Temple. Traveling east by sea, they eventually found refuge in what is today India.

That is one of the stories told by the B'nai Yisrael, the descendants of those ancient mariners, to explain their arrival and long sojourn in India.

After living in exile for 2,500 years, they still retain their Jewish identity. They maintain knowledge of Jewish culture and customs and many attend synagagoue as a matter of course.

But historically, the Jews of India have had little contact with the outside Jewish world, and that was one of the major considerations that prompted Moshe Ronen to make a trip to India.

Ronen is president of the North American Jewish Students' Network and, ex officio, vice-president of the World Union of Jewish Students. It was in the latter capacity that he, along with former Israeli Knesset MK Dror Zeigerman, who heads the student division of the World Zionist Organization, and Zeigerman's assistant, Baruch Shalev, traveled to India to meet members of the local Jewish community. (WUJS is an international umbrella organization that links Jewish student groups.)

WUJS was eager to expand its network, Ronen said, to link Jewish students in India with its constituent branches in Europe (in 14 countries), in South America, Australia, South Africa, Israel, as well as in Canada and the United States.

15,000 went to Israel

"We went on the trip to meet with the student leadership of India, to try to organize them into a union so we could bring them our resources," Ronen told The CJN following his return recently.

As a body that works with the WZO and other Jewish organizations, WUJS can "get them involved in Jewish concerns and make them feel closer to Jewish students around the world," Ronen added.

The 3-man delegation almost didn't make the trip at all. One day before they were to leave Israel, Indian Prime Minister, Indira Gandhi was assassinated and reports reached Israel of riots, murders and general havoc.

Assured by the local Jewish leadership it would be safe to come, the trio made for Bombay, which, with the surrounding environs, is home for 90% of the estimated 7,000-10,000 Jews who remain in India. The remaining 10% reside in New Delhi.

At one time, the Jewish population of India was divided into three communities: the Baghdadi, who came from Iraq and Iran; the Cochini, centred in the city of Cochin; and the B'nei Yisrael.

Led by the Sassoon family, the Baghdadi community built the Sassoon synagogue in Poona, near Bombay. Following the independence of Israel in 1948, most emigrated to the Jewish state.

The Cochin Jews trace their origins in India to about 700 CE. Like the Baghdadi Jews, they went on aliya to Israel and most now live in and around Jerusalem. One of their synagogues has been declared a national monument by the Indian government, Ronen said.

The third group, the B'nai Yisrael, still make their homes in India. On their arrival circa 600 BCE most settled in and around Bombay and worked as oil pressers. At one time, 10 synagogues served the community, though today only four are in full-time use.

Until the 1950s there was controversy as to the Indian communities' Jewishness, but the Rabbinate of Israel eventually declared them Jewish, and aliya began, Ronen said. Approximately 15,000 immigrated to Israel.

Many of the remaining community are well-off businessmen and professionals who are reluctant to leave, Ronen stated.

A number of organizations link the community, he added. The Jewish Community Council is an umbrella group that includes the presidents of various organizations. Most groups are run by students and are pro-Zionist, he said.

There is a general feeling of symapathy to Israel and Jews by the average Indian, Ronen said, and there is no anti-semitism or restrictions on the community to speak of, he said. Part of the reason may lie in Hindu India's own conflicts with Moslem Pakistan, he speculated.

However, Ronen continued, the policy of the government to Israel is another matter, though government officials admitted to them in private that "pragmatic reasons" prevented India from maintaining formal, good relations with Israel. (India recalled its ambassador to Israel in 1967.)

Part of the group's itinerary was to have been a meeting with Gandhi. They planned to "bring her a message from World Jewish Congress president Edgar Bronfman stressing the importance of Israel to the Jewish people and asking for better relations," Ronen said. Instead, the message was transmitted to lower echelon officials.

In three seminars with the Jewish community, he said, they met with about 200 people and they "encouraged the Jewish community to maintain a close working relationship with the (Israeli) vice-consul as a link to the Jewish world." They discussed world Jewry and the role of youth vis a vis Judaism and Zionism.

Ronen termed the whirlwind 6-day trip a success. As a result of their efforts, the Indian Union of Jewish Students was launched and the community is planning to send a group of students to Israel's Hebrew University for its 1-year program.

Moshe Ronen, centre, at the home of Gabriel Samson, left, chairman of the Indian Union of Jewish Students, and David TelGouker, right.

Representatives of Reform Judaism recently met with the Israeli ambassador. From left, Gideon Saguy, Stan Sandler, Rabbi Steven Garten, Rabbi Michael Stroh, Eliashiv Ben-Horin, Rabbi Dow Marmur, Arthur Grant.

Reform gives envoy conversion law view

TORONTO —
Representatives of Reform Judaism in Canada voiced their opposition to the Israeli government's proposed changes to the Law of Return, during a recent meeting with Israel's ambassador to Canada and Israel's consul general in Toronto.

Arthur Grant, director of Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations, the Reform movement in Canada, said that the meeting with Ambassador Eliashiv Ben-Horin and Consul General Gideon Saguy was a success and that the delegation showed Ben-Horin and Saguy that they were serious about their concerns while remaining committed to Israel at the same time.

Grant said that the delegation pointed out that if the proposed changes were to be implemented, it would have "detrimental effects on Reform and Conservative Jews."

Besides Grant, the delegation included Rabbi Michael S. Stroh, president, Kadima — the Canadian Council of Reform Zionists, Stan Sandler, vice-president, Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations, Rabbi Steven Garten, chairman, Canadian Region of the Central Conference of American Rabbis and Rabbi Dow Marmur, chairman, ARZENU — the International Reform Zionist Movement.

As well as discussing possible changes to the Law of Return, Grant said, the delegation presented Ben-Horin with resolutions passed by the Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations and Kadima during recent meetings.

Grant said the resolutions dealt with their continued support of Israel, as well as a request urging the Knesset to give Reform and Conservative rabbis full status as religious leaders to perform "life-cycle" events, such as bar mitzvahs, weddings and funerals. As the law now stands, only Orthodox rabbis have such status.

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Hopes for political payoff

Israel's aid program to Third World revealed

By
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JERUSALEM —

After a decade of silence, Israel's program of scientific and technical cooperation with developing nations has suddenly surfaced.

In the course of modest celebrations recently, the foreign ministry's international cooperation department announced that Israel had hosted 28,000 trainees from developing countries between 1958 and 1983, and during that same period some 8,500 Israeli experts had worked in these countries.

The program really began in 1957 when Israel, at the invitation of Ghanaian leader Kwane Nkrumah, helped create Ghana's Black Star Shipping Line and helped organize Ghana's Trade Union Congress.

And in the years that followed, cooperation flourished on many levels and was fully reflected in the media. African, Asian and Latin American chiefs of state were being received at Lod Airport once every few weeks and the press was constantly filled with photographs of Israeli foreign minister Golda Meir hugging or dancing with dignitaries from Third World nations.

During that period, Israel not only worked with independent national governments, but even with some of the liberation movements. For example, scores of nurses from underground groups in Mozambique and Angola were given 4-month courses in Israel, courses specifically designed to help them operate in their special conditions.

While appreciative of Israeli assistance, practically all the developing countries, responding to Arab pressure, cut off diplomatic relations with Israel after the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War in 1973. This ended cooperation with some; with a majority, however, cooperation continued, but was carried on as quietly as possible in order to avoid arousing Arab displeasure.

Emphasis in these programs has always been put on the agricultural sphere because that is of crucial importance to the developing countries and because Israel has very substantial achievements to her credit in that sphere. These include a 1,200% increase in agricultural production over the first 25 years of statehood.

Experience has shown that transferring technical knowhow and research results (how to grow better crops or raise more livestock) is much easier than transferring social forms (attempts to establish cooperative moshavim or collective kibbutzim have failed).

At the same time, the so-called "Rehovot approach" to integrated rural planning, which is also based on Israeli experience, has proven itself in many developing countries. The aim of this approach — taught so far to 1,000 students from 50 countries at the Rehovot Settlement Study Centre — is to make life in rural areas more attractive so as to stem the flood of people from the relatively underpopulated countryside to bursting-at-the-seams urban slums.

The 7-month course — four months of which are spent in Israel and three in the country of one of the participants — concentrates on the creation of new employment opportunities as well as of an interlocking network of economic, social and community services.

Of late, comprehensive plans have been prepared for the Lampang region in Thailand, an area of 12,500 square kilometres with a population of 464,000; the Neru Region in central Kenya, which is 10,000 square kilometres in size and has a population of 1 million, and several places in Latin America.

Some Israeli experts are even further from home. They are now working with people in Fiji on plans for a multi-purpose rural services centre in Vanua-Levu Island as well as on the development of rural cooperatives elsewhere. Their local counterparts include no less than 20 Fijiins who have studied in Israel.

In the medical sphere, Israel's cooperative activities included, at an early stage, a full-scale, 6-year course in medicine for students from developing countries, but are now limited to a 1-year course in public health and a MA course in community medicine.

Certainly the most far-reaching effort in the medical sphere has been in opthalmology, as the result of which a dozen African countries have advanced eye clinics.

As might be expected in a country with enormous financial problems of her own, there are people here who question the wisdom of spending money to foster cooperation with nations, many of which don't have diplomatic relations with Israel and even more of which regularly vote against her in the United Nations.

When this question was put to Johanan Bein, director of the foreign ministry's international cooperation department, he replied that the total cost of the program is not large and that, in any case, more than half of the expenses are borne by other countries, mainly in Western Europe. "This is because," he explained, "they feel that our assistance in some spheres — like arid-zone agriculture — is likely to be more effective than Western Europeans could offer."

Bein also notes that a few African countries, including Zaire and Liberia, have recently re-established diplomatic relations with Israel and that in others without formal links, like Nigeria, the Ivory Coast and Ghana, Israeli companies are now involved in development programs much larger than any that Israeli government experts could have initiated.

There are also hopes for a further political payoff. They lie in the fact that alumni of Israeli training courses now hold important positions in their own countries. For example, among the 13,000 students from 100 nations who have participated in Labor Studies programs run by Israel's General Federation of Labor, there are now 37 secretaries-general of union federations, 300 chairmen of individual unions, over 150 members of parliament and several dozen ministers, including three prime ministers.

Seigel urges UN consensus

TORONTO —

Leila Seigel of Switzerland, president of the International Council of Jewish Women, recently told the recent inaugural meeting here of the organization's North American committee that a consensual approach should be made the basis for decision-making at the United Nations End of Decade Forum on Women to be held in Nairobi, Kenya, next July.

Seigel, who attended the UN Non-Governmental Organization's preparatory committee for the conference in Vienna, said the purpose of the Kenya forum would be to assess achievements related to the progress of women during the past decade with emphasis on the Third World.

Several Jewish Women's groups are planning to present programs at the forum dealing with such subtopics as Child Care and Women Helping Women, Seigel said. Previous UN women's conferences have been disrupted by often-successful attempts to introduce an exclusive anti-Israel focus to the proceedings.

Other issues discussed at the Toronto meeting included the ICJW — Jewish Education Seminary to be held in Jerusalem next October. ICJW efforts as related to the status of women in Jewish law, current problems facing Jews in the Soviet Union, the current crisis in Ethiopia and programs designed to aid absorption of Ethiopian Jews in Israel.

Dorothy Reitman of Montreal is chairperson of the North American committee, which is composed of ICJW officers and members from Canada and the U.S.

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DIARY ...of a People

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Master spy Elie Cohen was born in Alexandria, Egypt, on Dec. 16, 1924. As Kamal Amin Taabes, he operated for three years in top Damascus circles, providing Israel with detailed plans of Syria's fortifications on the Golan Heights.

Cohen, whose parents owned a small tie shop in Alexandria, was brought up as an observant Oriental Jew and a future rabbi in the community. The assassination in November 1944 of Lord Moyne, British minister of state for the Middle East, and the impassioned defence of the accused — who blamed the British for abandoning European Jewry to the Nazis by refusing them entry into Palestine — sparked young Cohen's interest in Zionism. He joined a fledgling Jewish underground movement in Egypt.

The backfiring of a half-baked plot, an attempt to embarrass the Egyptian authorities by blowing up U.S. and British centres by the group under Israeli direction in 1954, Operation Suzanna, nearly nipped Cohen's career in the bud. Fortunately, he was not implicated.

Operation Suzanna operatives, friends and acquaintences of his, were imprisoned or executed. Cohen stayed on in Alexandria, reporting back to Israeli intelligence on the increasing number of ex-Nazis assuming important positions in the government of Egypt's new leader, Gamal Abdul Nasser. With her defeat in the Sinai campaign, Egypt intensified anti-Jewish measures. Synagogues, schools and hospitals were closed. Professionals were forbidden to practice. Hebrew was proscribed. All Jews were required to carry yellow identity cards. The remainder of the Jewish populace, which dropped from 90,000 in 1947 to 30,000 in 1955, was evacuated by Red Cross refugee ships. Cohen arrived in Israel in 1957.

He was working as an accountant for a Histadrut agency in 1960 — he quit his first job, translating Arab newspapers in the defence ministry, because it was too boring — when he was approached by the Israeli secret service to be a deep-penetration agent in Syria.

Cohen's subsequent 18 months of preparatory training included courses in Islam, Spanish and Syrian culture. He was sent to Buenos Aires in 1961 to establish his cover as a Syrian businessman. He was soon part of the city's community of half-a-million Arabs, and was warmly accepted by its Syrian contingent, whose security forces checked him out as a matter of routine. Charismatic, cultured, generous and a warm host, Cohen made friends in the highest circles. One of them was the Syrian military attache who would later become Syrian President Al-Hafez.

Less than a year after his arrival in Buenos Aires, he declared his intention of making a long-desired visit to his homeland. His Syrian friends supplied him with references and influential contacts. These Cohen augmented on his voyage, where he mingled easily in a party of wealthy Arabs; one of them drove him from Beirut into Syria.

In Damascus, Cohen rented a luxurious midtown apartment near the headquarters of the Syrian general staff; many of his neighbors, whom he quickly befriended, were high-ranking Syrian army officers. To send his findings to Israel, he used a radio transmitter concealed in an electric food mixer. Cohen, who had a photographic memory, augmented his radio reports with personal debriefings during vacation periods in Israel (he flew there via Europe).

His cultivation of the right people in Syria allowed him to tour and even photograph the massive fortifications atop the Golan Heights. He was a frequent visitor to the Syrian southern command headquarters in Kuneitra; he studied the wall maps and charts carefully and unobtrusively.

In July, 1963, Cohen's friend Al-Hafez emerged from Syria's political upheavals as the country's ruler and apparently recommended Cohen as the next minister of defence.

Cohen, in 1964, sent photographs and blueprints of a Syrian project to cut off the water supply to the Kinneret, Israel's prime source of water.

Cohen was caught in mid-transmission by a Soviet counter-intelligence team, which had tracked his signals. He was tortured, tried and — despite pleas of clemency by world leaders — hanged publicly.

Cohen's posthumous triumph came two years later, during the Six Day War, when Israeli troops captured the supposedly unconquerable Golan Heights fortifications in a matter of hours. In Syria, the figure of Kamal Amin Taabes remains something of a national embarrassment.

Thinly veiled as "anti-Zionism"

Soviets boost anti-semitic rhetoric

WASHINGTON (JTA)— Soviet propaganda has been depicting Israeli leaders as inheritors of "Hitler's fascist mantle" according to a state department report released last week.

The report, the 17th annual review of Soviet and East European compliance with the Helsinki Final Act, notes that during the six months being studied, April 1 to Oct. 1, 1984, there has been "increased levels of anti-semitic rhetoric thinly veiled as 'anit-Zionism.'"

According to the report, "Soviet propaganda maintains that Israeli and Western intelligence encourages emigration in order to obtain state secrets from Soviet citizens. It further alleges that 'Zionists' collaborated with fascists during World War II to send many innocent Jews to their deaths. These Zionist elements, so the argument goes, now comprise the ruling circles of Israel, which has inherited Hitler's fascist mantle.

"Hitler's fascist mantle"

"Crude Soviet propaganda posters often depict images of Hitler together with Israeli officials who in turn are often depicted poisoning Arab drinking water."

This crude propaganda appears aimed at frightening Jews from seeking to emigrate. "The rate of emigration from the Soviet Union continued to decline below the disappointing figures of early 1984 and has come to a virtual standstill," the report said. From April 1. To Aug. 30 only 423 Jews left the USSR.

The report noted that some Jews "have reacted with despair and for the time being have stopped applying to leave, while others apply as frequently as possible — once every six months."

The report noted an intensification of persecution of Jewish cultural activists. Moscow Hebrew teachers Alexander Kholmiansky and Yuli Edelstein were arrested during the summer, respectively, for hooliganism and possession of drugs, according to the report.

Other arrests of other Jewish activists are cited. The report also notes the plight of imprisoned Jews such as Anatoly Scharansky and Iosif Begun. It adds that "even Jewish Refuseniks who sought only their own emigration" came under the increasing harassment by the Soviet authorities during the view period.

Few bright spots

The sentencing of Aleksandr Yakir to two years in a labor camp for alleged draft evasion was indicative of the deteriorating situation of Soviet Jewry. Accused of evading the draft since 1977, Yakir was arrested only after he had passed his 28th birthday and was no longer eligible to be inducted into the army.

The report found a few bright spots in Eastern Europe. In Czechoslovakia, Rabbi David Miller was ordained, becoming the first resident rabbi since 1970.

The report also noted that in Hungary last May, authorities quietly began allowing any Israeli to visit, dropping the requirement that only those with relatives in Hungary could travel there. Two delegations, representing the Hungarian Jewish community, also visited Israel.

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Editorial

Too horrible

Abba Eban once said that "while there are things too horrible to conceive of, they are not too horrible to have happened in Jewish history."

This thought comes to mind in encountering a new book by David S. Wyman, described on the cover jacket as "the grandson of two Protestant ministers."

Wyman, a professor at the University of Massachussetts, has just published a devastating critique of American immigration policies towards Jews before and during the World War II.

Called The Abandonment of the Jews (Random House of Canada), Wyman's extraordinarily well documented work shows how the American government, its President and officers systematically obstructed the saving of European Jews during the Holocaust.

Wyman's research, which recalls a similar study by Torontonians Abella and Troper (None Is Too Many), on the record of the Canadian government presents chapter and verse to show how American government policy in this regard was abetted by the newspaper establishment, which, with rare exception, either ignored news about the destruction of European Jewry, or relegated it to back pages — where it sank into oblivion.

Prof. Wyman has some very unflattering comments to make about President Roosevelt. "He did nothing about the mass murders for 14 months, then moved only because he was confronted with political pressures he could not avoid. . . ."

The War Refugee Board which Roosevelt then established to help save Jews and other Nazi victims "received little power, almost no cooperation from Roosevelt or his administration. . . ."

The story of conspiracy, obstructionism and malice which animated U.S. government policy towards Jews during the Holocaust is an unpleasant one. It tells much about the atmosphere during those dark days when the swastika almost blotted out the sun — and the consciences of mankind.

For reality

We note with interest a recent study published by the Institute on American-Israeli Relations of the American Jewish Committee.

The study, written by Drora Kass, a psychologist, comes to the conclusion that "Israel cannot continue to be a Jewish Disneyland for American Jews, where everything is rosy, beautiful and exciting."

While directed at Americans, the ideas promoted by Ms. Kass are relevant also to Canadian Jews, who tend to respond rhapsodically to every aspect of Israeli life and, in so doing, falsify its reality.

The author of the AJC report recommends a new kind of sobriety to be introduced into the Israel-Diaspora relationship.

"American (read Canadian Jews also) Jews," she writes, "need to be made aware of the many different internal issues confronting the Jewish state so that they can make a constructive contribution to the discussion and analysis of these issues."

The sobriety in question, adds researcher Kass, cannot be only in one direction. Israelis, she argues, must recognize the fact that the Jewish people may legitimately choose more than one route to survival.

One of the merits of her inquiry is that it is based not merely on academic speculation but on sampling techniques.

We note that, in addition to analysis, the Kass report also provides concrete recommendations, some of which are bound to stir up controversy.

She suggests, for example, that American experience in inter-group relations "can help Israelis confront their relations with their Arab neighbors and Israel's own Arab citizens."

The Kass brief, while perhaps somewhat too preachy in tone, may open up an important new dialogue between Israelis and Diaspora Jews.

Jews can make the difference

Percy defeat proves important point

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

The conventional wisdom is that American Jews, in states like New York, Illinois and California, exert a great deal of influence in tight Congressional races.

Last month, in Illinois, the pundits were proven correct when Paul Simon, a Democrat, defeated the Republican incumbent, Charles Percy, in a close and decisive Senate contest. Seeking a fourth term, Percy had been chairman of the powerful foreign relations committee.

Percy, 65, was beaten by an unlikely coalition consisting of arch conservatives, who were disappointed with his brand of Republicanism, and Jews who felt he had let Israel down on too many occasions.

Enlisted the aid of Jacob Javits

It was the second time in two years in Illinois that a politician perceived to be against Israeli interests lost his seat. Paul Findley, who was considered pro-Palestinian by his opponents, went down to defeat in 1982, losing his place in the House of Representatives to Dick Durbin.

Both cases prove that sufficiently motivated Jewish voters can, if they wish, make a difference in the political process.

Enjoying the vast advantage of incumbency, and a campaign war chest of about $4 million, Percy held a slight lead over Simon — a 5-term congressman — as the Nov. 6 election loomed closer.

Realizing he needed the support of Jews to survive, Percy enlisted the aid of Jacob Javits, the former senator from New York. Javits, who had a reputation as one of the most vocal pro-Israel figures in the Senate, wrote a fund raising letter for Percy in which he said that his friend "represented the very best in American political life."

The letter was signed by 59 prominent Illinois Jews, including A. N. Pritzker of the Hyatt Hotels Corporation and Lester Crown of General Dynamics.

Javits' effort on Percy's behalf was to no avail. The majority of Jews in the state voted for Simon and a third candidate, Michael Goland, who ran primarily to siphon away votes from Percy.

What had Percy done to incur the wrath of so many Jews?

After his election in 1966, Percy compiled a pretty straight pro-Israel record. But, starting in 1975, he began to alienate some of his Jewish supporters.

Charles Percy

Characterizing PLO chairman Yasser Arafat as a "relative moderate," Percy adopted a position that called for Israel to withdraw from the occupied areas and open a dialogue with the PLO.

In a further display of independence, Percy criticized Israel's settlement policy and voted for the sale of F-15 jets to Saudi Arabia.

During the 1978 election, Percy explained away his positions well enough to win a large share of the Jewish vote. By 1980, Percy had reverted to his old persona. While on a trip to the Soviet Union, he advocated the establishment of a Palestinian state to be headed by Arafat. In 1981, he led the successful Reagan administration battle to sell AWACS radar planes to Saudi Arabia.

One year later, as the Israeli army besieged West Beirut, he urged the White House to cut off aid to Israel. In 1983, he refused to sign a Senate resolution opposing the sale of sophisticated missiles to Jordan.

This year, with an election on the horizon, Percy seemed to be back in the good graces of the Jewish community. In February, he called for increased economic aid to Israel. In March, he co-sponsored an amendment to help Israel develop the Lavie fighter plane. In July, he backed the creation of a Free Trade Area between the U.S. and Israel.

Percy explained that his views on the Middle East were designed "to assure the security and survival of Israel and to promote an Arab-Israeli peace for the benefit of the region."

As an election statement, this wasn't enough. Percy's base in the Jewish community was already crumbling when a group of disaffected Jews approached Paul Simon and asked him to give up his safe seat to challenge Percy.

According to the Detroit Jewish News, Simon was offered massive financial support and given to understand that he could capture the hearts and minds of Illinois' 300,000 Jews.

Paul Simon

Once the campaign was under way, Simon — who had a near perfect record on Israel — told Jewish voters: "Charles Percy is a good supporter of Israel one year out of six. I will be one six years out of six."

In an attempt to refute Simon's argument, Percy said it was untrue he was "unsympathetic" to Israel. As he put it: "My record of support for military and economic aid to Israel proves that it isn't true. Every year, I have worked hard to be helpful to Israel, to Soviet Jewry and to the American Jewish community."

Percy, who said he cared enough about Israel "not to want to see it stumble" over foolish policy errors, got into further trouble by stating that Jews were "wrong, wrong, wrong" to demand that the U.S. transfer its embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. [Simon supported that resolution.]

Then he poured oil on the fire by saying: "Jewish people are the most intelligent people I've ever known, but they are also extraordinarily emotional."

To add to his problems, Percy came out for public prayer in schools — a position the majority of Jews find anathema.

Asked if organized school prayer imposed unfair pressures on Jewish students, Percy responded: "Yes, it does, but they might just as well live in the real world."

That statement, while it may have been factual, was one more gaffe committed by a politician who should have known better.

There is an element of irony in the humbling of Charles Percy by Paul Simon. The ultra conservatives who campaigned to unseat Percy did so partly in the hope that it would lead to the ascendancy of Senator Jesse Helms of North Carolina to the chairmanship of the foreign relations committee.

After much deliberation, Helms chose to retain his position as chairman of the agriculture committee. Richard Lugar, who is known to be friendly to Israel, succeeded Percy.

A pro-Israel lobbyist in Washington, on a recent visit to Toronto, said Helms has the "worst" record in the Senate regarding Israel. Helms, he disclosed, asked President Ronald Reagan to sever diplomatic relations with Israel after its 1982 invasion of Lebanon.

Helms, too, has consistently voted against foreign aid packages, on which Israel greatly relies.

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A VICTORY FOR VANESSA

Vanessa Redgrave, the British actress, has won a courtroom victory that some have interpreted as a vindication for her pro-PLO views.

Redgrave, who sparked controversy when she appeared in Playing For Time, an American TV movie based on the life of a French concentration camp survivor, was recently awarded $120,000 by a court in Boston as compensation for the cancellation of a series of concerts she was to give.

Redgrave awarded $120,000 by court

The actress filed a lawsuit challenging the Boston Symphony Orchestra, one of Boston's proudest cultural institutions, for firing her as a narrator of a 1982 production of Oedipus Rex.

She claimed she was dropped because of her support for the PLO, for which she once narrated a film.

Redgrve's lawyer, Daniel Kornstein, contended that the Boston Symphony cancelled her performance after pressure from a Jewish member of the orchestra's board who objected to her pro-Palestinian views.

Kornstein said that a key role was played by Irving Rabb who, he claimed, "hatched a plan to dump Miss Redgrave . . ."

The cancellation, he argued, had a "devastating impact" on her career. From the time she was fired in April 1982 to June of 1983, she had not been able to obtain work. "The phone stopped working," Kornstein said.

Robert Sullivan, putting the case for the orchestra, said that the cancellation "was never a political act" but a necessity triggered by fears that groups like the Jewish Defence League would disrupt the concerts.

In testimony, Redgrave said she favored a peaceful end to the Arab-Israeli dispute, and was "absolutely opposed" to violence and terrorism. Director Sidney Lumet (Dog Day Afternoon, The Verdict) told the court that she should be able to command a salary of $200,000 per movie despite her political activism.

The judge ruled that the Boston Symphony, in dismissing Redgrave, had caused her "foreseeable harm." Redgrave has begun filming the TV movie Peter the Great, for which she will be paid $300,000 — one of the highest salaries she has ever received.

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Book recounts experiences of tireless reformer

Manitoba will rename building after A.A. Heaps

In a letter to Toronto author LEO HEAPS, dated Nov. 9, Premier Howard Pawley of Manitoba advises that "the province of Manitoba has purchased the historic Bank of Nova Scotia Building at 254 Portage Ave., in Winnipeg and cabinet has approved the renaming of this building after your father, A. A. Heaps."

Pawley adds that "the government will be hosting a public event to celebrate the official opening and plaque unveiling upon the completion of renovations in March . . ."

Abe Heaps, who was a CCF Member of Parliament from Winnipeg North from 1926 to 1939, was a tireless reformer who pioneered in the Commons Old Age Pensions and Unemployment Insurance. He was a close friend and confidant of two Prime Ministers: W. L. Mackenzie King and R. B. Bennett. He was twice offered a seat in the Senate (he would have been the first Jew in the Senate) but refused and once, the post of minister of labor, which he also turned down.

Abe Heaps' many battles in the House of Commons have been recounted in a biography, The Rebel in the House, by Leo Heaps. A revised and enlarged edition of the book, with essays of introduction by Tommy Douglas and a number of other friends and observers, has just been released by Fitzhenry and Whiteside Ltd.

One of the introductory essays, by **RUBEN C. BELLAN,** a professor of economics in Winnipeg, is reprinted here.

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Abe Heaps spent his formative years in an England that, after over a century of industrialization, was finally adopting legislation to safeguard workers against the social hazards of an industrial society. The problems were new and specific to that type of society. In the agricultural economy which it had supplanted, the ordinary working man had had assurance of employment; he had lived a robust, outdoor life; he had been a member of a small, intimate community that acknowledged responsibility for the well-being of all its members and had supported those who were unable to provide for themselves on account of accident, sickness or old age.

In contrast, a large number of workers in a modern industrial society were exposed to the hazard of unemployment on account of weak demand for the goods they helped produce; they worked in dark, noisy, stinking factories, near machines that ripped the body of anyone who was only momentarily careless; they lived with their families in crowded tenements on grounds polluted with human wastes, liable to all manner of pestilence and disease; if incapacitated by accident, sickness or old age, they could expect no assistance save perhaps the most meagre of charitable aid, grudgingly given under humiliating arrangements by a heartless public authority.

New social forces that attained significant proportions around the end of the 19th century pressed effectively for amelioration of the workingman's lot. A substantial number of workingmen were now enrolled in trade unions which applied the power to collective action to bargain for better pay from their employers and improved conditions of work. The country's trade union members were leagued in a confederation of labour whose leaders were the vocal spokesmen of the working class.

Extension of the franchise to workingmen, by the 1880s, conferred on them the power to influence government policy by participating in elections to political office. The Labour Party, formed in 1900 as the political arm of the trade union movement, voiced in Parliament the concerns and the hopes of workingmen and aspired to form the government itself some day, empowered to bring in sweeping legislative reform.

On the continent of Europe the writings of Karl Marx propagated the sense of class consciousness and instigated the modern phenomenon of class struggle. Marxist political parties came into being in a number of European countries, committed to the overthrow of the capitalist system and its replacement by some form of socialism. The threat they posed caused apprehension among ruling authorities, prompting them to introduce social reforms that would blunt the edge of socialist criticism of the established order.

It was largely for this reason that Bismarck, Germany's "Iron Chancellor," introduced in the 1880s sickness insurance for employees, compensation for workers injured in industrial accidents and pensions for persons over the age of 65.

The example of Germany intensified demands in Britain for corresponding legislation, and this was indeed achieved, though only after the lapse of a good many years. A Workman's Compensation Act was passed by Parliament in 1899, an Old Age Pension Act in 1909, a Sickness Insurance Act and an Unemployment Insurance Act in 1911.

Growing up as he did in a country where laws had just been passed, or were about to be passed, that sought to safeguard workers against major hazards of an industrial society, Heaps was vividly conscious of the absence of such legislation in the country to which he came. It was not absent because there was no need: thousands of Canadian workers were suffering acutely as a result of the existence in Canada of the same hazards as those which had moved European and British authorities to introduce protective legislation.

A. A. Heaps

While a majority of the population still lived on the land, there was by now a substantial population in urban centres that provided industrial, commercial, financial and administrative services to agricultural hinterlands. Within these urban communities, especially the largest ones, and also in the towns that hastily sprang up near coal deposits, there was all too often replicated the poverty, squalor and distress experienced in the industrial centres of Europe.

Heaps accordingly devoted himself to the cause of reform legislation that would provide for Canadian workers the kind of legislative protection that had already been provided, or was about to be provided, to workingmen in Europe.

It was a battle against heavy odds. While Canada was still nominally a British colony, its dominant social philosophy was more American than British, reflecting the same absence of a hereditary aristocracy, the same opportunity to achieve wealth and status through diligence and successful risk-taking, the close economic ties between the two countries, the virtually unobstructed movement of people between them, the large number of Americans who had come to Canada to set up business firms or to ply a needed skill.

The U.S. of this era was stridently individualistic, its archetypal hero the lone frontiersman who felt crowded once he could see the smoke from a newcomer's chimney. A man was entitled to all he could achieve through his own efforts, but no more. The rich and successful were under no obligation to support the poor and weak; it would be grossly improper for government to tax the rich in order to provide the poor with a level of well-being that they could not earn through their own efforts. Besides being immoral, such action by the government would constitute a damper on economic progress — itself sufficient grounds for condemnation.

In addition to the considerable influence of U.S. attitudes and experience, there were domestic factors in Canada that weighed against reformist legislation of the type demanded by Heaps. The country was new and had acquired relatively little of private or public wealth: it would be difficult to finance and to implement the kind of social welfare measures that were being introduced in Britain and Europe. The national population was still largely rural and comprised to a very great extent of independent farmers whose interests did not coincide with those of town laborers.

Agricultural production was primarily for export, and the services provided by urban workers constituted a cost borne by farmers: as with all costs, they wanted it to be minimal. A significant proportion of urban workers were recent immigrants from Eastern Europe, looked down upon as culturally inferior, their very presence in the country resented; authorities felt no strong obligation, and were under little pressure, to employ the powers of government to improve their lot.

The federal nature of the country's constitution threw up an assortment of real and fancied obstacles to reformist social legislation: it was uncertain whether such enactments were within the authority of the national parliament; constitutional experts emphatically declared that they could be implemented only with the concurrence of provincial legislatures. In fact, the Supreme Court in 1937 declared a proposed unemployment insurance scheme to be ultra vires because it would infringe upon provincial rights.

Legislation which Heaps kept advocating in a House of Commons that was indifferent, skeptical, opposed in principle, amused at his ideological fervor, was passed and in his lifetime. The precipitating factors were unique developments that conferred extraordinary political leverage on the supporters of reformist legislation. Neither of the major political parties secured a clear majority in the General Election of 1925; in a closely balanced Parliament where every member's vote could be of critical significance, Heaps and J. S. Woodsworth were able to secure the promise of an Old Age Pension Act from the governing Liberal Party, as a condition of their support.

The outbreak of war in 1939 helped to defuse provincial opposition to a federal unemployment insurance scheme, and by June 1940 every provincial administration waived its constitutional rights in this area, agreeing to a transfer of jurisdiction to the federal government.

In 1962 the government of Saskatchewan instituted a program under which all medical services were paid for out of taxation. Four years later, and much influenced thereby, Parliament passed legislation under which the federal government undertook to pay half the cost of such a program in every province; by 1970 all provinces took up the offer so that, since that year, all Canadians have been provided with medical services paid for out of taxation.

While it would be presumptuous to assess the degree of contribution, it is clear that Heaps' actions and speeches helped bring about these measures of welfare legislation in Canada. Along with Woodsworth, he certainly played a major role in the procurement of the country's first old age pension legislation. And it is a reasonable assumption that his efforts helped produce a climate of opinion which brought passage of subsequent welfare legislation, some beyond his lifetime.

Morocco switches stand on Israelis

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Has Morocco, home to the largest Jewish community in the Arab world, changed its open-minded policy toward Israeli visitors?

Judging by a relatively major incident which occurred in late October, Morocco seems to have reassessed its flexible policy.

According to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, an Israeli who had been invited to the World Conference on Poetry, in Marrakesh, was informed at the last minute that he was not welcome to attend.

His colleague, who holds dual French-Israeli citizenship, opted to boycott the conference in a gesture of solidarity.

The men in question were Aharon Amir, a writer and philosopher, and Andre Chouraqui, the deputy mayor of Jerusalem who carries French and Israeli passports.

The pair were invited to Morocco by Leopold Senghor, the conference chairman, who assured them that the formalities for their entry had been arranged.

When Chouraqui arrived in Paris to pick up his visa, the Moroccan ambassador said "there are no problems," and instructed him to contact the Moroccan consulate after Amir's arrival.

Before he could do so, Moroccan diplomats informed Chouraqui that Amir could not obtain a visa. Chouraqui rejected a Moroccan offer that he enter Morocco with his French passport.

Despite the rebuff, Chouraqui and Amir waited in Paris for more than a week as Senghor used his influence, such as it was, to reverse the order. Senghor failed in the attempt. Morocco would not be budged.

What accounts for Morocco's volte face?

Last summer, Morocco signed a union with Libya, a radical, anti-Western country whose leader Muammar Qaddafi, has several times called for the overthrow of Morocco's king, Hassan.

Before singing the treaty, Morocco had an Open Door policy regarding Israelis who wished to visit relatives still living there.

In recent years, an estimated 2,000 Israelis had been permitted to travel to Morocco via a third country. Last May, in a bold expression of its policy, Morocco invited 35 Israeli dignitaries, including members of the Knesset and journalists, to attend what turned out to be a well-publicized conference in Rabat on Moroccan Jewry.

Morocco's policy, which was not always well understood by Moslems in the region, was nearly unique in the Arab world. Egypt has had Israeli visitors since the 1979 peace treaty with Israel.

Morocco, unlike Egypt, is in a technical state of war with Israel, and that made its policy all the more surprising.

So committed was Morocco to forging ties with Israelis of Morocco origin that King Hassan risked Arab criticism when he convened last May's conference. Syria recalled its ambassador for "consultations," but the meeting was not cancelled. Indeed, it wax given unusually open press coverage in Morocco.

The conference, which was held in the Hilton Hotel, was attended by Prince Sidi Mohammed, heir to the throne, and Prime Minister Karim Lamrani and his entire cabinet.

The royal family went as far as to tender a banquet for the guests, two of whom were Edgar Bronfman, president of the World Jewish Conference, and Rene Sirat, Chief Rabbi of France.

So upbeat was the mood that two Israeli MKs invited King Hassan to visit the Jewish state.

Buoyed by the results, Yitzhak Shamir, then Prime Minister, described the conference as an encouraging sign of growing Arab acceptance of Israel.

That it may have been six months ago. But now, in the wake of Morocco's pact with Libya, the conference may have signified very little.

Observers doubt that the king, who has a reputation for cunning and realism, will offend Libya by staging further such conferences or letting too many Israelis into his country.

Libya, in signing a union with Morocco, agreed to phase out its support for the Polisario Front, which is engaged in a war with the Moroccans in the Western Sahara.

It is believed that Morocco introduced its Open Door policy vis-a-vis Israelis to rally worldwide Jewish support for its struggle against the Saharan rebels.

Once Libya dropped its backing for the Polisario Front, there was no longer any need to cultivate Diaspora Jewry. Or so the theory goes.

King Hassan, who rules over 15,000 to 20,000 Jewish subjects, is a pragmatist who has weaved in and out of the shoals of Arab politics.

During the Yom Kippur War, he sent a battalion of troops to the Golan Heights to assist Syria. A year later, he hosted a meeting in Rabat during which the Arab League recognized the PLO as the sole, legitimate representative of the Palestinians.

Last January, after food riots broke out in Morocco, he blamed "Zionists," among others, for the turmoil.

So far, the king has had good relations with the Jews in his country. But, for the present, he appears to have had second thoughts about the entry of Israelis into Morocco.

The situation could change if he decides that it is no longer in Morocco's interest to cultivate Libya.

And, given the vagaries of Arab politics, that day might not be too far off.

Opinion

Fulfilling survivor's promise

French Canadian writes powerful Holocaust book

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Suzane Raymond-Filiatrault was 20 before she ever saw a Jew. She grew up in the east end of Montreal, was educated by nuns and the Jewish community remained a mystery to her until she moved out of that world and got her first teaching job in the Park Ave. area.

There she saw her first Jew, a chassid, while traveling on the bus.

"History had always been my passion when I was young. I had read everything about the war, about Hitler, the SS, and the camps but nobody — not my parents, not my school — had ever told me about the war against the Jews until I began doing my own research," said Filiatrault, now 41, author of the recently published book The Visitors.

"Suddenly, when I saw that chassid on the bus it clicked with me. Six million of these people were killed. Why?

Filiatrault was to spend the next 20 years trying to find the answer to that question. She learned English, Yiddish and Hebrew in order to greatly expand her reading of the written material available on the Holocaust. She befriended a survivor and spent three years

Author had to see the death camp sites for herself

with her going over every detail of her life before, during and after her internment in Nazi concentration camps.

But it was not enough. Filiatrault had to see for herself the sites of the death camps which remain in Europe. She urged her survivor friend, Sylvia Weiner, to come, too. They, along with Filiatrault's husband, spent three weeks in Poland and Germany in the summer of 1979 visiting the camp sites of Majdanek, Sobibor, Belzec, Auschwitz-Birkenau and Bergen-Belsen, as well as the small Polish town where Weiner grew up.

Suzane Filiatrault

The Visitors is based on that trip. Subtitled "a gripping true story," The Visitors (earlier published in French as Les Visiteurs) combines episodes from Weiner's (referred to in the book as Sonya Rosen) past with highlights of the journey through Europe almost 35 years after the end of the war. Filiatrault says she is the first French Canadian to write a book on the Holocaust.

"Sonya Rosen" is an innocent young girl who survives not through daring exploits but by, as much as possible, staying "invisible" among the throngs of camp inmates who come and go living from day to day.

The chapters about the Holocaust itself amount to almost non-stop horror, that should sicken even those who have read other accounts of the Nazi atrocities. The rest of the book, written in the first person, centres on Filiatrault's trying to understand how such brutality could be perpetrated and how the rest of the world apparently stood by indifferently.

Filiatrault frankly admits her constant doubts about whether she did the right thing in taking Weiner back to the scenes of her tragic youth, an experience which has left Weiner scarred emotionally to the present day. A rift did in fact develop between Weiner and the Filiatraults during the trip when Weiner bitterly regrets having ever come back . . . as recounted in the book.

After their return to Montreal, Weiner avoided the Filiatraults for weeks. For almost three years, Weiner avoided the subject of the Holocaust, refusing to become involved in the Filiatraults' first project after the European trip — a slide presentation put together from the nearly 800 photos and thousands of metres of film they took entitled The Reality of the Holocaust. It has since been shown to many community organizations and schools.

Filiatrault says she wrote The Visitors to make as many people, particularly non-Jews, as possible aware of the Holocaust.

Although based on facts she has been able to assemble, she does not pretend The Visitors will take its place beside the literature of the Holocaust. "As a non-Jew, I did not feel it was my place to write a treatise on the Holocaust. There are many Jewish scholars with better qualifications to do that," said Filiatrault.

Profiling a survivor living in Montreal today, who is well known as a marathon runner, and emphasizing the fact that many of the sites of the Holocaust still stand for all to see, Filiatrault felt would provide living proof of the Nazi nightmare to those who think the Holocaust is a figment of the Jewish imagination.

Weiner spent six years of her childhood in the ghetto, Majdanek, Auschwitz-Birkenau and Bergen-Belsen, the only one of her family (which included eight brothers and sisters) to survive. She did attend the official launching of The Visitors, where Victor Goldbloom, president of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, was chairman.

Filiatrault was prepared for the skepticism that the book has met with in some quarters. Some of her fellow francophones feel she has been brainwashed by the Jews. Some in the Jewish community think she has exploited the Holocaust.

Even Filiatrault's own husband originally thought her obsession with the Holocaust was a bit overdone. However, after the European trip, thoroughly shaken by what he had seen, Fernand Filiatrault, also a teacher, became a full partner with Suzane in her crusade to make the gentile world face up to the Holocaust. He is actually the publisher of The Visitors.

The general response from non-Jewish readers of the book is surprise, says Filiatrault, especially among francophones. "Most are ignorant of the Holocaust; it's a big mystery. There is a lot of interest, but they are also uncomfortable with the subject.

"Any praise... has filled me with embarrassment"

"They are embarrassed and a little guilty, for just waking up now to this massacre," she said.

Filiatrault hoped that the book would serve to fulfil a promise Weiner had made to her family and fellow inmates who did not survive to make the public aware after the war of what has happened to them — no matter how painful the process would be for Weiner, now 53.

"I know I will wonder for the rest of my life whether all the anguish Sylvia went through was worth it." The book's worth would be proven in having people read it — in that, Filiatrault has succeeded.

Filiatrault is also mindful of the fact that she is a non-Jew who dares to call herself a historian of the Holocaust. "I've been unsure, even frightened, that I have not treated the Holocaust with the respect it demands. Any praise I have received has filled me with embarrassment."

She has over the years received help and encouragement from persons associated with the Jewish Public Library, Montreal Holocaust Memorial Centre, Canadian Jewish Congress and local survivors and academics. Recently, she was presented with the J. I. Segal Award for excellence in writing on a Jewish theme, in the English/French category.

Lawyer comments on Marmur-Schochet dispute

Unity cannot be achieved by imposition of views

SAUL D. PATON, a Toronto lawyer, comments here on matters raised in The CJN article of Rabbi Dow Marmur (Nov. 1) and the response of Rabbi J. I. Schochet (Nov. 22). "It may be of interest," says Paton in a note to the editor, "to have the opinion of a layman on these issues of contemporary Judaism."

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If Rabbi Dow Marmur needs further proof of the intolerance of certain Orthodox leaders vis-a-vis the practices of Jews who embrace other branches of Judaism, he need only read the response of Rabbi J. Immanuel Schochet.

Rabbi Schochet's linking of Reform Judaism with Jews for Jesus as comparable challenges to traditional Judaism is as inaccurate as calling yeshiva students hooligans because the students of one ultra-Orthodox yeshiva in Jerusalem attacked and cut off the beard of ther leader of a competing yeshiva — presumably to prove the moral superiority of their piety over that of their competitors.

Rabbi Schochet impugns the religiosity of Reform rabbis by referring to alleged instances of their participation with Christian clergy in mixed marriage ceremonies. He accuses others of being atheists and being married to non-Jews.

Whether such charges are accurate in isolated instances is irrelevant. It is ludicrous to treat them as typical of Reform Judaism just as it would be ludicrous to describe Rabbi Meir Kahane, a self-acknowledged racist, convicted of criminal offences both in the United States and in Israel, as typical of the Orthodox rabbinate. All such examples are exceptions to the norm.

The vast majority of rabbis of every persuasion — Orthodox, Conservative, Reconsructionist, Reform — are devout G-d fearing men and women who serve the Jewish community in one of the most difficult jobs in our society.

Over the years I have davened on occasion in many diverse congregations, ranging from the Bobover Chassidim to Reform in Toronto, from Egalitarian Orthodox to Chassidic Reform, as a visitor in other cities. Although in some of these services, the ritual format and content was not meaningful to me, I was always impressed by the sincere dedication of the rabbis and congregants to their vision of what was meaningful to them in Judaism.

Judaism is not a monolithic religion based upon an unchanging, Torah-centred halacha as Rabbi Schochet argues. Halacha consists substantially of the rulings of rabbis over the centuries. Rabbi Moses Burak's column, Living Halacha, gives examples every week of the conflicting views of the sages on practically every religious question. Rabbinic authority can often be found for both sides of most controversial issues in contemporary Judaism.

A case in point was the decision of the Conservative movement in 1955 to permit aliyot for women in synagogue ritual. The proponents of female participation relied upon a B'raita quoted in Meg. 23a: "Anyone may ascend for the seven honors, even a minor, even a woman . . ." Those opposed to such participation referred to a subordinate clause in the B'raita which cast doubt upon the earlier statement.

Similarly, religious practices vary according to location and background. Sephardic Jews are permitted to eat certain foods on Pesach that are strictly forbidden to Ashkenazim. The Pilgrim Festivals are celebrated for one day in Israel and for two in the Diaspora. Can one say that halacha sets different rules for Sephardim and Ashkenazim . . . or for Israel and the Diaspora?

What we must recognize is that Jews express their Judaism in different forms and in varying ritual contexts. What one person finds meaningful may differ from another person's observance. But each is equally authentic and entitled to respect from other Jews. It therefore follows that the religious institutions of the other branches of Judaism are entitled to the same degree of state recognition and financial support in Israel as are received by the Orthodox.

Jewish unity, whether in Israel or in North America, cannot be achieved by one group imposing its views on others. Mutual tolerance and recognition of the validity of each other's beliefs are prerequisites for internal peace and security in Israel and for the future development and growth of our local community.

FACTORY SYNAGOGUE UNIQUE

Polgat, a textile company in Kiryat Gat, is probably the only factory with a synagogue on the premises. Photo shows one of Polgat's employees who is charge of the synagogue explaining how and when it's used to Israel President Chaim Herzog. [IPPA photo]

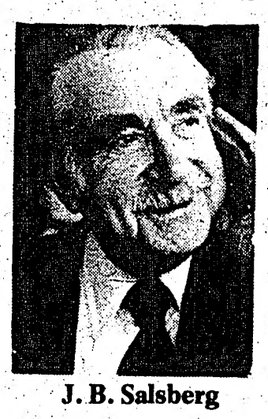
Opinion

Film shows dynamic community

Spadina became a crucible for Jewish change

By
J. B. SALSBERG

Away back, before World War I, when my immigrant family took its first steps in Canada, in the "new world," my first public school teacher, at Lansdowne School, assured my class that the broad, the grand boulevard that formed the backbone of the area was called **Spadeena,** "after an Italian immigrant who used to sell bananas in the southern portion of the wide roadway.



J. B. Salsberg

Since I believed at that time that our teachers were the wisest of all people, I accepted unquestionably Miss Pearse's (or, was it Pierce?) explanation of the origin and pronounciation of our area's main drag.

Wholesome understanding of way it was

But it wasn't easy to follow our teacher's instructions. Many adults of the burgeoning Jewish immigrant population called our main streets, "Spityneh." As for the declining, but still effective school attendants of the "English" sector, they disregarded the teacher's wisdom and pronounced it "Spadina," as we continue to do to this day.

All this happened a long time ago. Spadina, at that time, boasted of being the widest boulevard in Toronto. It still retained a great deal of the elegance and old world shopping facilities that clung to a very genteel style of personalized relationship between merchant and shopper.

Under irresistible pressure of the new immigrants (mainly Jewish but also from other European nationalities) who pitched their tents on both sides of the broad thoroughfare, the residential streets that ran parallel with Spadina or that crossed Spadina were also penetrated and conquered.

In no time Spadina became the healthy, beating heart of the lusty young Jewish community.

Some would say that Spadina became the crucible that shaped the physical and spiritual physiognomy of the new, the Canadian Jew.

I would fully agree with this characterization of our formative past.

What turned my thoughts to that period is a 1-hour film called Spadina, that my nephew, David Troster, a filmmaker, produced and that is now being screened. Last week the municipally-owned Town Hall unit of the St. Lawrence Centre screened the film as a public, cultural service.

The response surprised the initiators. Instead of one showing, as planned, two screenings had to be offered. I attended the reception that followed each screening to find out why viewers came in such large numbers and what the film meant to them.

I was very pleased with my findings. It wasn't the technical or artistic merit of the film that concerned me but the sociological impact of the film upon the audience that was very mixed in both age and background.

It was nostalgia for some and a tracing of roots for most others. It was a dusting off of our past, without cosmetics, and a realistic view of our roots that evoked a wholesome understanding of the way it was and why it was the way it was.

Massive secular lifestyle

A number of mistaken notions about our past were, I hope, cleared up by this film for all who seriously desire an understanding of our early adjustments to the new Canadian reality.

No . . . . our fathers and grandfathers did not settle in and around Spadina because there was the Kensington Market nearby. Our forerunners **created** the earliest, modest Kensington shopping area to satisfy their culinary and kashrut requirements.

Nor did Spadina create what later became the renowned garment manufacturing industry; but the early garment-producing shops in the lower, low rent part of the Avenue and its crossing streets brought the new waves of Jewish immigrants to that area. While the move from the old, east of University Ave., poorer area, to the western region on both sides of Spadina, was, to be sure, an improvement in housing and other conditions, the essential motive force for the westward move was the employment opportunities that were to be found there.

Similarly, the emergence of a massive secular-oriented Jewish lifestyle, with its accompanying social, political and cultural infrastructure, on and around Spadina, was not a result of anyone's wishes or preconceived notion. It was the consequence of the new needs that the Spadina community, made up of wage-earning, factory workers, was obliged to satisfy.

Social and political influences brought from Europe did, of course, play a role but those influences would never have captivated so large a number of the new immigrants were it not for the social and economic forces that transformed Spadina, our Spadina, into the laboratory of change in almost every aspect of life in the new area.

Yes, Spadina was the area of social confrontation as it also was the arena in which new social, political and cultural ideologies fought for the minds and hearts of the newcomers. Zionism, Labor Zionism (Poale Zion), Socialism, Anarchism, and, later, Communism fought for their special, identifiable territory.

The founding of the Canadian Jewish Congress — "the parliament of Canadian Jewry" — was an epoch-making occasion on Spadina, as it was on St. Lawrence Ave., in Montreal and on Selkirk Ave. in Winnipeg.

The election of Congress delegates (pridefully referred to as "congressmen") was a full-fledged public campaign on Spadina. There were street corners meetings, polling booths in defined places with scrutineers of each participating faction watching and counting the votes and with street demonstrations when the vote was announced.

Spadina is our past, it was the cradle of our present.

What happened to Jewish Spadina, where are we now in relation to it? Let's try to find out — next week. . . .

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address and handwritten signature.

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ISRAEL'S ETHIOPIAN ROLE

The horor which is Ethiopia has finally caught the attention of the world. Help is arriving — but for thousands it is too late.

Commentators tell us that famine is not new there. Droughts and resultant famine are frequent over the years. Some say the tragedy might have been avoided if a family planning program had been in place, others have decried the lack of agricultural planning.

Nothing has been said about the role which could have been played by Israel in either preventing or reducing considerably the cyclical famine conditions in Ethiopia.

In the mid-60s the government of Haile Selassie entered into far-reaching arrangements with the government of Israel, under which a major agricultural initiative was undertaken.

The Israelis, who have made other deserts bloom, provided agricultural training courses in Israel and in Ethiopia for Ethiopian farmers, agriculturalists and instructors, teaching how to improve yields, new methods of fertilization, prevention of soil erosion and irrigation techniques.

Teams of experts went to Ethiopia and devised methods of storing and utilizing in other parts of that country the huge quantities of water which were available and which were being lost to the desert.

They traveled the length and breadth of the country. They prepared separate plans for each area, relating to the different climatic and soil conditions.

A large model farm was established and it began to be used as a demonstration piece for local farmers who were brought to it.

Then came 1973. In the aftermath of the Yom Kippur War launched by Egypt and Syria, Ethiopia's emperor, under pressure from Libya and other Arab countries, broke off diplomatic relations with Israel. All that vital work ended.

When the Communist coup later took place, none of that work was replaced by the new government's Arab and Russian friends.

One can only speculate what different circumstances might exist today in that tragic country, if the Israelis had been able to continue.

Donald Carr
Toronto

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Irving Berlin . . . master tunesmith.

SALUTE TO IRVING BERLIN

Stephen Birmingham, who spoke at the recent Toronto Jewish Book Fair as author of The Rest Of Us, praised Irving Berlin as one of the greatest Jewish songwriters in the U.S.

Amazingly, Berlin (born Israel Baline in Russia), the composer of God Bless America and White Christmas, is now 96. I wish you'd print an early picture of him because I have in my possession the song sheet for one of the first pop tunes he wrote. It begins this way:

Yasha Mishalevsky, Russian lad
He came over from Petrograd
With a fiddle in his hand,
Organized a first-class band . . .

It's neither a Christmas nor Chanukah song, but I say bless Irving Berlin for all the pleasure he has given us.

Miriam Bassin
Toronto

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SHARON A "GREAT" GENERAL?

Re the Nov. 1 letter by Prof. Michael Marrus headed "Lebanon war a mistake":

He quotes Yitzhak Rabin, the present Israel defence minister, as saying the Lebanese invasion was a "mistaken war inspired by political and strategic delusion."

This may be Rabin's opinion, but General Ariel Sharon was a far greater general, one whom the U.S. wouldn't mind having, and his opinion is of greater value than Rabin's.

Right now General Sharon is in a war with Time Magazine, which has been anti-Israel over the years. Good for him.

Samuel Dyen
Brooklyn, NY

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SINGLES NEED ABRAHAMS

In a recent CJN Torah reading, we were told of the hospitality our patriarch Abraham extended to strangers, urging them to enter his home and partake from the meal he was preparing to serve them.

Thank god, in this country, we do not lack the need for food. But there are many Jewish singles who would appreciate to be invited into friendly homes for a Shabbat or holiday meal.

Would that we could find more Abraham-type people today.

R. Ray
Toronto

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SEEKS ROBUCK RELATIVES

I am trying to trace the descendants of Abraham Aaron Robuck.

I believe one of these descendants was a practitioner of pharmacy in the Canadian Army in 1944.

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THANKS FROM GA

Please accept our sincere thanks for the coverage and support provided by The Canadian Jewish News relating to the recent General Assembly, particularly the supplement included in the Nov. 15 issue which was distributed to delegates at the GA.

Readers of that edition, particularly our out-of-town guests, derived from it a sense of the vitality and rich tradition that is Toronto Jewry.

Mira Koschitzky
Celia Rothstein
Council of Jewish Federations
Toronto

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FALASHAS PRAISE ISRAEL

Regarding Joe Salsberg's recent excellent column "CJC making every effort to free Falashas":

He forgot to mention that Israel is a poor country, billions of dollars in debt, and therefore cannot be as philanthropic as other countries.

Simcha Jacobivici's film, Falashas, also claimed that the Israelis aren't doing enough for the Falashas.

In May, 1982, when I was in Israel on a tour, I met several Falashas who told me that Israel had taken in thousands of their people. They were not only happy to be in Israel, but praised the Israeli government.

Instead of laying blame on Israel, wouldn't it be better to support the Committee for Ethiopian Jews?

Paula Feigelsohn
Toronto

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KOSHER DINING TRADE BOOMS

We highly appreciated Cynthia Gasner's recent writeup about Menchens, our downtown Toronto Kosher restaurant with business catering facilities.

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Ernest Stern
Toronto

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A RAVE FOR MORRIS

Just a short note of praise regarding your new feature of Broadway show reviews by Gerry Morris.

I'm an actor born in Toronto who lived in New York City for eight years. Morris' reviews hit responsive and positive chords in me.

Include his column in your issues as often as you can!

Eric Fink
Toronto

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LAUDS FILM REVIEW

Just a short note to thank Sheldon Kirshner for his wonderful Oct. 17 review of the film, Charlie Grant's War, written by myself and produced by my husband, Bill Gough, about a Torontonian who saved the lives of 600 Viennese Jews.

Bill and I literally and metaphorically sweated blood to get this film done. Now that it is finally completed and out in the world — in other words, our child is walking — it is so very gratifying to get a response like yours.

Kirshner not only understood what I was trying to write, but also felt it.

Anna Sandor
Toronto

World-National

British academic tells of letters to Chernenko

Soviet Jewish activists use new protest tactic

By PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO — In the face of an almost total halt in Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union, Soviet Jewish activists have adopted a new protest tactic, says a British authority on Soviet Jewry.

Speaking to 125 people at the Florence and Harry Topper lecture at Beth Tzedec Congregation, Prof. Martin Gilbert of Oxford University said that letters of protest, signed by Prisoners of Conscience and Refuseniks, are for the first time being sent openly to Soviet chairman Konstantin Chernenko, the Central Committee of the Praesidium, and to world leaders in the West.

One recent letter, in support of imprisoned Hebrew teacher Yakov Mesh, carried 25 signatures, including those of 11-year Refusenik Aba Taratuta and Tatiana Zunshain, whose husband Zachar was recently sentenced to three years in a labor camp for "anti-Soviet slander.

"What should we call those who disregard basic human rights," Gilbert quoted the letter as asking.

Another letter, sent by five Leningrad Jews directly to British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, appealed for her support in their efforts to be "repatriated" to Israel.

Thatcher's response, which was communicated to the five, pledged that "we shall go on reminding the Soviet Union of its human rights obligations," and assured them that "we shall not let the issue raised in the letter be lost from view."

(One of those who signed the letter to Thatcher, Evgenia Utevskaya, recently received her exit visa, it was announced at a rally for Soviet Jewry during the Council of Jewish Federations' General Assembly in Toronto last month.)

The issuance of her exit visa, said Gilbert, constitutes "that little spark of hope" in what is an increasingly grim situation.

Gilbert visited the Soviet Union in 1983, and is the author of The Jews of Hope: The Plight of Soviet Jewry Today.

After 1979, when more than 50,000 Jews were allowed to emigrate, "slowly and cleverly the gates were closed," Gilbert said, "with new regulations making it difficult even to apply."

By the next year, between 360,000 and 400,000 Jews who had wanted to leave during the miracle decade of the 1970s found themselves trapped.

One Refusenik, Gilbert said, was told bluntly by officials: "Your dreams are futile; your hope is dead."

The latest trend, Gilbert said, is to attack the teaching of Hebrew, "the bridge of hope to emigration."

Hebrew teachers in various cities are being harassed and arrested on charges of anti-Soviet agitation, "hooliganism," or drug offences.

The pressures on the Refuseniks are enormous, Gilbert said. In addition to the psychological pressure of waiting without real hope, there is the pressure of state-inspired anti-semitism.

He quoted a story carried by TRUD, the official mass circulation trade union magazine, probably the most widely-read publication in the USSR.

Referring to an issue of the Israeli daily Ha'aretz by date, the story accused two Israeli soldiers in Lebanon of murdering a pregnant Lebanese woman to settle a bet on the sex of her baby.

Gilbert was one of those contacted by a group of young Jews who tried to prepare a libel case against TRUD and asked to have the files of Ha'aretz searched.

Gilbert and his colleagues found nothing.

The Soviet Jewish group were told that their bill of indictment would not be heard, Gilbert said, because the PLO representative in Kiev had said the story was true.

His speech, which had few hopeful notes, was a catalogue of repression, harassment, and outright attacks on Refuseniks and Prisoners of Conscience.

But he urged outsiders to keep up the pressure. "The fate of the Prisoners of Conscience is of enormous concern to the Refuseniks," he said.

"They are tremendously worried that we in the West will grow tired."

In answer to a question, he was ambivalent about advocating boycotts. "It is not within the interest of the United States to pursue a boycott policy — and historically no state acts against itself."

But visits from parliamentarians and appeals from world leaders — such as the letter from Prime Minister Thatcher — are helpful, if only in reassuring Soviet Jews that they have not been forgotten.

Conservative women seek CZF membership

LAKE KIAMESHA, NY — The Women's League for Conservative Judaism in Canada has decided to seek membership in the Canadian Zionist Federation. In a resolution passed at the league's recent biennial convention, delegates said such a move was important because the CZF "is the national voice for Canadian Jewry on Zionist matters."

The league also expressed support for a resolution passed at the CZF convention earlier this year calling for religious pluralism in the operation of the World Zionist Organization and in Israel itself.

Also approved was a strong declaration against pornography urging rivisions in the Criminal Code to empower the courts "to deal with the current situation.

"The contempt, hatred and violence that are transmitted by pornography can only lead to the dehumanization of women and to the degradation of personal and social relationships," the resolution said.

Delegates passed another resolution stating that the league should "actively encourage communication with the Canadian government to continue its initiatives for peace and nuclear disarmament.

Reform study results cited

NEW YORK (JTA) — A study of 429 men and women — more than half of them non-Jews — who completed Introduction to Judaism courses sponsored by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC) in 1983 and 1984 shows that 78% of the non-Jews either converted to Judaism or said they planned to convert, it was reported by the UAHC.

Some 90% of all those enrolled said they intended to raise their children as Jews, according to the survey by Rabbi Sanford Seltzer, director of research of the UAHC.

The findings were published by the Horizon Institute, a centre for research policy and planning for the UAHC, which represents 770 Reform synagogues in the U.S. and Canada. The study is believed to be the largest of its kind ever made.

The survey, undertaken for the Commission on Reform Jewish Outreach, which supervises the Reform movement's Introduction to Judaism courses and other programs for potential converts to Judaism, is based on responses to written questionnaires from 429 men and women, including 227 non-Jews, who had studied Judaism in courses given in Boston, New York, Philadelphia and St. Louis last year and earlier this year.

Similar courses, which typically run from 12 to 20 weeks, are conducted by the UAHC in major cities throughout the country. They are intended for persons who are either considering conversion or who wish to learn about Judaism.

Nearly 75% of the non-Jews who took the courses in the four cities were women, whose average age was 29. (The men averaged 32 years of age.) Of the non-Jews, 44% reported they had Catholic upbringing, while 38% were raised as Protestants. Seven percent had one Jewish parent.

Sixty-eight percent said they had enrolled in the course because they intended to convert to Judaism while 21% said they had enrolled for informational purposes only, and 9% said they took the course to please their Jewish partners.

In terms of education, the non-Jewish and the Jewish participants in the courses were closely matched: 90% of the non-Jews and 95% of the Jews had attended college or graduate school.

This finding, according to the study, confirms the belief that "couples in interfaith relationships generally are intellectually compatible, and that educational and social congeniality play a significant role in the selection of potential marriage partners by persons from different religions and ethnic backgrounds."

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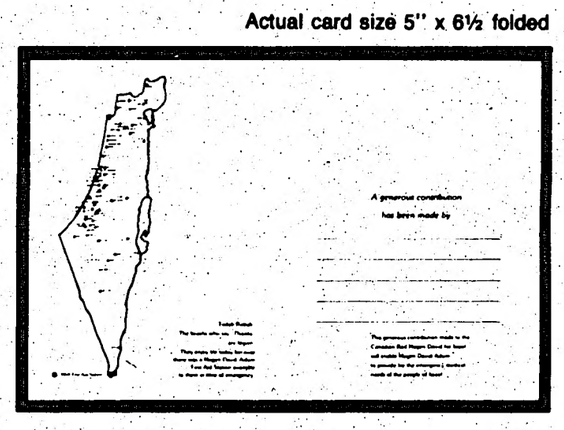

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Emigration issue creates hard decision for Israelis

By
NECHEMIA MEYERS

JERUSALEM —

Growing prosperity in the United States combined with an economic slowdown here could have dangerous consequences where emigration is concerned.

To be sure, the hundreds of elderly textile workers who recently lost their jobs when the Ata plant, near Haifa, went bankrupt are not going to emigrate; even if they wanted to, the Americans wouldn't admit them. But among the thousands of teachers, social workers and other government employees scheduled for sacking there are many younger people who could — potentially at least — pack up and leave.

It isn't only a question of the job market; other pressures upon young Israelis must also be taken into consideration. The war in Lebanon, for example, has meant that most of those between 20 and 40 have done several prolonged stints of reserve duty over the past few years, which has interferred with their jobs and/or studies as well as making life difficult for their families. In such circumstances, moving to a country where only professional soldiers are expected to take up arms may seem very attractive.

Yet, in the final analysis, objective difficulties are less significant than personal convictions where emigration is concerned, as the case of David Harel illustrates very well.

Harel, who was studying for a BSc. in computer sciences and mathematics at Bar-Ilan University during the fall of 1973, was immediately called up when the Yom Kippur War broke out and spent eight of the next nine months in uniform. This naturally played havoc with his studies, but Harel made up for lost time and by 1976 had a MSc. in computer sciences from Tel Aviv University.

His struggles were not over. When he went to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to study for his PhD., he had no idea how he was going to support himself and his family. His wife Varda, busy taking care of two small children, was in no position to work and his only significant income was from a modest fellowship awarded to him by the Rothschild Foundation. But the Harels managed; they lived very modestly and, as David puts it, the family "only went 'shopping' for clothes and household goods when the Boston department stores were shut."

All this didn't prevent Harel from doing first-rate research on the capabilities and limitations of computers. It was so good, in fact, that he earned his PhD. in just one year and eight months, faster than anyone before him in the engineering and computer sciences department of MIT.

From that point on, all doors were open. Harel received a prestigious and lucrative post-doctoral fellowship from IBM and worked at its Yorktown Heights Research Laboratory. After his first year at IBM was up, he was invited to stay on there — other alternatives were a staff position at a major university and a job in private industry. Whatever his choice, he would be earning between $30,000 and $60,000 a year — many times as much as he could conceivably earn in Israel.

This did not pose a problem for David and Varda, who have always believed that "Israel is the only place for a Jew to live." But it perplexed the Israeli yordim near whom they resided. These people were struggling to get the so-called green cards which would permit them to work permanently in the U.S., and they were willing to take almost any job, no matter how menial, just to remain there. Yet here was an "idiot" who was willing to forego both the card and a high-paying U.S. job.

In Israel terms Harel — now Prof. David Harel of the Weizmann Institute of Science — is doing very well today. Not only does he have a full-time position at a prestigious academic institution, but he is also deeply involved in the creation of new computer techniques for science-based industry. They are being used by the engineers who are designing Israel's next-generation planes at Israel Aircraft Industries and these techniques are also likely to prove useful elsewhere.

Yet with all this, Harel goes on doing his reserve duty and his apartment, car and other "property" are infinitely more modest than they would be had he remained in the U.S.

You will hear no complaints from him on that score, but, however ruefully, he does admit one thing: "If I were in a situation where I couldn't get a job or obtain an apartment, I don't know what I would do."

Jobless rate up in Israel

[Cont'd. from page 1]

products and services, thus reducing the burden on the Treasury. But Histadrut Secretary-General Yisrael Kessar flatly rejected the deal at a lengthy meeting at Premier Shimon Peres' residence.

Meanwhile, unemployment in Israel has reached a record high of nearly 100,000, about 6% of the work force. It is the highest rise since the economic slump just prior to the Six Day War.

Baruch Haklai, director of the Employment Service, said the problem was especially acute in the development towns where the jobless rate is triple the average for the country as a whole.

The secretary-general of Histadrut blamed the previous Likud-led government for neglecting development towns in order to invest large sums in settlements in the administered territories. "The government does not realize what a time bomb we have in the development towns," he said.

Prof. Ephraim Kleimann, a Hebrew University economist, said fighting inflation by unemployment was "the easy way out." He warned that large scale joblessness would encourage emigration, which is contrary to the very reason the State of Israel was founded for.

Commenting on the unemployment figures in a radio interview, Minister of Labor and Welfare Moshe Katzav said massive unemployment was contrary to the government's policy. His ministry predicts that while the jobless figure will rise gradually in the immediate future, it will taper off by the end of next year when the economy, hopefully, resumes its growth.

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By MIRIAM CHINSKY

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CHILDREN'S CONCERT

A Children's Chanukah Concert featuring **Fran Avni,** whose records include Mostly Matzoh, Latkes and Hamantaschen and The Seventh Day, is set for Sunday, Dec. 16 at 1.30 p.m., in the Philip Smith Hall, Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St. Tickets, $3, are available at the door or, Negev Book Store, 3509 Bathurst St; Israel's Book Store, 973 Eglinton Ave. W; The Story Tree, 502 Eglinton Ave. W; Silverberg's Toys, Yorkdale Shopping Centre.

BETH DAVID ADULT EDUCATION

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Adult Education Committee will hear **Charles Zaionz,** chairman of Canadian Jewish Congress' International Affairs Committee, speak in the synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd., on The Jews of Argentina - From Darkness to Light, on Sunday, Dec. 16, at 8.15 p.m.

The public is invited.

EMUNAH ART AUCTION

Emunah Mizrachi Women present An Evening of Fine Art, in B'nai Torah Synagogue, 465 Patricia Ave., on Sunday, Dec. 16. Preview is at 7 p.m., auction at 8.

Guest artist **Margaret Roseman,** will be available throughout the evening to autograph invitations.

Works of 100 artists from all over the world will be on view, and there will also be a silk flower display.

Admission is $7.50 per person. Refreshments and door prizes will be offered.

TEHILA HEBREW CHOIR

Tehila is a newly formed young men's and women's Hebrew choir, sponsored by B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation/Jewish Students' Union at the University of Toronto, and the Jewish Student Federation at York University. **Michelle Green** leads the choir and **Allan Friedman** is the accompanist.

Tehila, having amassed a considerable repertoire of Hebrew songs, is willing to perform free of charge for any organization. A small honorarium would be appreciated, however.

If your organization is interested in having Tehila perform, or if you, as a university student, are interested in joining the choir, please call the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation/Jewish Students' Union at 923-9861 for additional information.

Tehila appeared recently at North York Civic Centre in conjunction with a city wide pre-Chanukah celebration.

BETH SHOLOM BROTHERHOOD

Beth Sholom Brotherhood Tallis and Tefillen Breakfast Club meets on Sunday, Dec. 16, when **Dr. Victor Goldbloom,** president of the Canadian Council Council of Christians and Jews, considers the Battle Against Centuries of Prejudice. Services are at 9.30 a.m., breakfast follows, and the speaker begins at 10.30.

CJC CULTURAL OUTREACH

The Canadian Jewish Congress Education and Culture Department is sponsoring two outreach programs for the over 2,000 Jewish school students in Ontario who live outside Metropolitan Toronto.

For elementary school students there is a creative writing contest on topics from the period of **Sholom Aleichem,** including Haskalla, Zionism, Revival of Hebrew, Yiddish, Chassidism and the writings of Sholom Aleichem. Deadline for entries is March 11, and prizes are awarded at regional education conferences.

A program for high school students, a Kallah, takes place in Toronto Dec. 23 to 25, at the Lipa Green Building. The theme will be Canadian Jewry from the Shtetl to the Rise of Modern Jewry. A film, Images Before My Eyes, will be screened, there will be a tour of Toronto, and local recreational facilities will be made available.

To inquire further about both programs, contact the Education and Culture Department of Canadian Jewish Congress, 4600 Bathurst St., Willowdale, Ont., M2R 3V2, phone [416] 635-2883.

LIVING JEWISH SPIRIT

The Association for the Living Jewish Spirit announces its next discussion group for Thursday, Dec. 20, 8.15 p.m. sharp, in Forest Hill Library, 666 Eglinton Ave. W.

The topic will be, What Is Wrong With Today's Jewry?

The overall theme for the ALJS in 1984-85, is Spirit-Governed Judaism.

All are welcome. For more information call **Rabbi Reuben Slonim** at 789-0101, or Felix Eckstein, 926-1368.

SNOWBIRDS INVITED

Canadian "snowbirds" wintering in the Miami area are invited to the annual luncheon of the American Committee for Shaare Zedek Hospital, on Wednesday, Jan. 23, in the main ballroom of Temple Emanuel, Miami Beach. Tables will be reserved for Canadian supporters of the hospital.

Proceeds will be used for the Shaare Zedek department of continuing care. Canadian tax receipts will be issued for Canadian residents. For information call the Toronto office, 781-3584, or the Miami Beach office, 531-8329.

CONCERT AT HOLY BLOSSOM

Art and folk music coexisted in nearly all strata of synagogue music from the early ages. On Dec. 14, following the 8.30 Friday evening service in Holy Blossom Temple, there will be a program of Early Hebrew Art Music , 12th - 18th centuries, with **Cantor Benjamin Maissner,** harpsichordist **Douglas Bodle,** and a string ensemble. Everyone is invited.

CARD NIGHT

The Galicianer Association of Toronto is planning a Chanukah Card Night on Sunday, Dec. 16, starting at 7 p.m. in the B'nai B'rith Building, 15 Hove St.

Admission is $2, and all proceeds go to Tel Hashomer Hospital in Israel. There will be refreshments and door prizes.

YIDDISH CULTURE COUNCIL

Prof. Eugene Orenstein, in an address to the Yiddish Culture Council, Sunday, Dec. 16 at 8.30 p.m. in the Workmen' Circle Social Hall, 471 Lawrence Ave. W., will discuss From Revolt to Tradition - Yaacov Glitstein's Road in Yiddish Literature

ORT'S AVIV CHAPTER

Aviv Chapter of ORT is looking for young women ages 25 - 35, single or married, living south of Wilson. This is an excellent opportunity for you to meet other women and participate in topical and informative programs. Become part of an international network of concerned and dedicated women, fostering and strengthening Jewish identity worldwide through quality technological education.

Upcoming programs include an Evening at the Theatre on Thursday, Dec. 27, and a Trivia Games Night on Tuesday, Jan. 8.

For further information contact **Marcy Gilbert,** at the ORT office, 787-0339.

PINE VILLA MUSICAL AFTERNOON

A special musical afternoon is scheduled at Pine Villa, 1035 Eglinton Ave. W., on Wednesday, Dec. 12, 1.30 p.m., when dramatic soprano Rosa Lovas, and concert pianist **Lola Julitta Kane,** entertain.

Everyone is welcome.

ISRAELI CLUB

Come join the newly formed Israeli Club for Israelis 55 years of age and over, who are looking for companionship and good Hebrew conversation. Meetings take place at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave., on Tuesdays, 7.30 - 9.30 p.m.

For more information call **Tanya Kuchinsky,** or **Ephraim Dloomy,** at 789-5131, ext. 477.

WIDOWS PROGRAM

The Wagman Centre Self-help Widows Program provides emotional support for the recently bereaved. Through one to one contact with another widow, and/or twice monthly group meetings, you may share experiences and learn to adjust to a new lifestyle.

Group coordinator **Helen Brown,** will extend a warm welcome. Meetings are every second Sunday, noon to 1.30 p.m. in rooms A and B of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave.

This supportive service is non-sectarian, free, and open to women 55 - 70 years of age, widowed less than two years. Membership in the Wagman Centre is not required.

For more details call 789-5131, local 410, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The next meeting is on Sunday, Dec. 23.

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Coordinator **Gordon Zaretsky** will welcome you to group meetings every second Thursday, 7.30 - 9.30 p.m. in the library of the Wagman Centre. The next meeting is on Dec. 15.

This non-sectarian service is free of charge and open to men over 55 years of age, widowed less than two years. Membership in the Wagman Centre is not required.

To inquire further call 789-5131, local 410, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

JEWISH INFORMATION SERVICE

Jewish Information Service is presently taking orders for the November 1984 back index update for the Jewish Community Directory of Greater Toronto. This will give the user the many new phone numbers for community addresses. Complete community directories are still available too. Call 635-5600 [Voice or TTY] 9.30 a. m. to 4.30 p.m. [earlier closing Fridays] for details; drop-ins also invited.

Other specialized directories are also available. Jewish Information Services is located in the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St., suite 345, Willowdale. Volunteers are available to answer questions about many different areas of Jewish life [in several languages] and to suggest referrals as required.

ACTING WORKSHOPS

Jewish Stage Productions is a new venture for people interested in Jewish Theatre. The priority is to develop the nucleus of a company through an initial program of workshops in theatre techniques and Jewish theatre in particular.

Distinguished theatre personalities scheduled to lead the workshops include, **Esther Ghan, Basya Hunter, Sylvia Lennick, Rick Kardonne, Paul Kligman, Ben Lennick, Leo Orenstein** and **Prof Sydney Perlmutter.**

Workshops will take place on Monday nights, 7 to 10 p.m. from Jan. 7, 1985 to March 11. Cost of the series is $75. For more information phone 633-7671.

RECEPTION

Moshe Goldner, former representative of Bank Hapoalim in Canada, is seen with Cecily Peters of Toronto, national president of Hadassah-WIZO Organization of Canada, at a cocktail reception in Jerusalem given by Bank Hapoalim. Goldner noted that the extension of commercial ties with Canada is of vital importance to the Israeli economy.

CHANUKAH CALLS

Close to 80 residents in the Jewish Home for the Aged [Baycrest] will be making Chanukah phone calls to relatives around the world , Sunday, Dec. 16. The calls are being sponsored for the 22nd year by Wilson Heights Lodge, B'nai B'rith.

JHA WOMEN'S AUXILIARY SALE

Jewish Home for the Aged Women's Auxiliary Stocking Stuffer Sale, is set for Tuesday, Dec. 18, 9.30 a.m. - 2.30 p.m. in the lobby outside the Abe Posluns Auditorium on the 2nd floor. Lottery tickets, books, shampoo and small gifts will be on sale.

DRINKING AND DRIVING FORUM

A public forum on Drinking and Driving, to be chaired by York alderman **Ben Nobleman,** will be sponsored by the City of York Community Drinking and Driving Committee on Thursday, Dec. 13 at 8 p.m. in the council chamber, 700 Eglinton Ave. W., near Keele St. Speakers will include **David Bruce,** director of the Ontario Drinking and Driving Counter Measures Program; **Sergeant Don Colbourne,** Metropolitan Toronto Police RIDE coordinator; **Dr. Jerry Cooper,** chief psychiatrist at York Finch General Hospital; **John Bates,** chairman of PRIDE [People to Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere] and **Alfred M. Kwinter,** barrister and solicitor, North York Drinking and Driving Committee.

For further information call 653-2700, ext. 241.

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS

York University requires volunteers, preferably with library or education background and good English skills to assist with research and cataloguing in the library on Tuesdays or Thursdays, 9 - 5, flexible hours.

If interested, call the Volunteer Centre, 481-6194.

AT KEHILLAT SHAAREI TORAH

Kehillat Shaarei Torah's annual Chanukah Party will be held Tuesday evening, Dec. 18, from 6 - 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 2640 Bayview Ave. [at Fifeshire Rd. S.].

Enjoy entertainment, games and a light supper [Can you guess the menu?].

For further information contact chairperson **Ruth Ruben,** 445-1900, or the synagogue office, 229-2600.

CAMP RAMAH INFORMATION

Camp Ramah in Canada will be holding an information evening at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., on Thursday, Dec. 13, at 7.30 p.m.

Judith Markose, director, will show the 1985 slides, and will be happy to answer any questions. For additional details call 789-2193.

FINANCE FOR WOMEN

The last in a 4-week series of evening seminars on Finance for Women, sponsored by Adath Israel Sisterhood, is on Thursday, Dec. 13 at 8.15 p.m., when **Susan Ennis,** an investment advisor for **Nesbitt, Thompson** and **Bongard,** will explain Investment Strategies for Women.

For details contact **Jenny Appleby,** 633-6520, **Diane Glazer,** 633-5032, **Bess Starr,** 488-1792, Ot **Cheryl Sonenberg,** 731-3227.

AJALON LODGE

Ajalon Lodge will hold its Chanukah meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 18, 8.30 p.m., at the Zionist Centre, 788 Marlee Ave.

The program, which will include the traditional candle lighting ceremony, will also feature comedian **Morris Naftolin.**

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CANCER RESEARCH

Dr. Michael Baker, director of the oncology program at Toronto General Hospital, seen with Renee and Karl Bald, who hosted a meeting of the Israel Cancer Research Fund in their home.

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Refreshments will be provided.

For additional details call **Ralph Constam,** 781-4033.

CHANUKAH PROGRAM ON TV

A Chanukah program, Lights, produced by the Gesher Foundation in Israel, will air on MTV channel 47 on Thursday, Dec. 20 at 1 p.m., and replay on channel 33 on Sunday, Dec. 23, at 6 p.m.

It is the story of the holiday in animation, geared for both children and adults. Family and study guides are available in the Toronto Jewish Cultural Council office. Phone **Mel Sachs,** at 635-2883, ext. 151.

NIGHT SCHOOL

Do you need to improve some of your skills to get a job? Do you just want to enjoy yourself? Bathurst Heights Continuing Education can help you improve and enjoy. A variety of 10-week night school courses, ranging from Auto to Woodcarving, are offered, starting the week of Jan. 14.

There are also grades 10 to 13 credit courses in the 2nd semester night school program starting the week of Feb. 4. In addition, Basic Upgrading, and English as a Second Language courses, are offered.

For registration information, call 789-0551, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

USY PRESENTS DANNY SIEGEL

USY [United Synagogue Youth] invite you to join them for a Maleveh Malka with author, poet and lecturer, **Danny Siegel,** on Saturday, Dec. 15, 8 p.m., in Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St. Admission is free, and this is a Toronto-wide USY event.

VOLUNTEER FOR CRISIS LINE

Train to be a Distress/Crisis line volunteer for Tel-Aide.

Training courses are offered to help you to become a sensitive listener. Volunteer slots are available days, evenings, weekends.

Comfortable surroundings are provided, and there is supervision at all times.

This is a Jewish community service, and your participation is urgently requested.

To apply, call 635-5600 or write 4600 Bathurst St., suite 345, Willowdale, Ont., M2R 3V2. Request a volunteer application and you will be scheduled shortly for an interview.

YOU AND YOUR AGING PARENTS

What can you and your aging parents reasonably expect from each other?

Physical and Emotional Aspects of Aging, Resources in the Community, What To Do with Anger, Guilt and Confusion - these are some of the issues to be addressed in a 6-week Jewish Family Education Service series beginning on Tuesday, Jan. 15, 8 p.m., at Jewish Family & Child Service, 4600 Bathurst St. [Lipa Green Building], and continuing each Tuesday through Feb. 19.

Fee is $30 per person, $45 per couple. For more details and registration, please contact **Estelle Altman,** 638-7800.

TORONTO HEBREW CHUG

The next meeting of Toronto Hebrew Chug is set for Tuesday, Dec. 18, 7.30 p.m. in Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd.

The program will include a presentation by **Joanna Samuels** entitled, Values Clarification.

In celebration of Chanukah, there will also be a performance by the Nashira Choral Group. A singalong and refreshments follow.

To inquire further call **Mike Rubin,** 633-7192.

CHILDREN'S CHANUKAH PARTY

Shaarei Shomayim Youth is planning a Children's Chanukah Party for Sunday, Dec. 16, 10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

All youngsters ages 3 - 12 are invited.

There will be cartoons, a magic show, balloons, refreshments and prizes, for everyone.

The party will be held in the synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. [just east of Bathurst St.].

Admission is $1.50 for members, $2.50, non-members. To inquire further call the Youth office, 789-3213.

PWN MEMBERSHIP CELEBRATION

Pioneer Women Na'amat of Toronto are holding their Membership Celebration on Wednesday, Dec. 19, 8 p.m., at Beth Torah Synagogue, 47 Glenbrook Ave.

New members, sponsors and life members will receive their pins, and a report on Bazaar Sunday will be given.

A Chanukah Latke Party and entertainment will complete the festivities.

For more information call 636-5425.

for seniors

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The Senior Citizens Club of the Labor Zionist Alliance is calling all those who registered for the Miami trip, to come to the final meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 19, 10 a.m. - noon, at 272 Codsell Ave. [Borochov Centre]. Tickets and kits will be distributed, and there will be refreshments.

The Senior Citizens of the LZA look forward to a Chanukah Party on Saturday, Dec. 22. Doors open at 6.30 p.m., program starts at 7, and dancing, to the music of **Morris Turk** and his orchestra, is from 8 - 11 p.m. For more details call 636-4021.

Join **Club Chaverim** for a Chanukah Celebration on Monday, Dec. 17, 1.30 p.m.at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. The program will feature singer **Sara Hertzberg.** Fee is 50¢ members, 75¢ non-members. Come at 12.30 p.m. and join the group for lunch at $1.25, or bring your own dairy lunch. For information, call **Fran Chodak,** 889-0813.

Beth Tzedec Friendship Club Plus 50 will have a Chanukah Party at the synagogue, with entertainment by the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living Choir, on Thursday, Dec. 18 at 1.15 p.m. And, eat latkes, latkes, latkes! Cost is $2.75, and reservations are a must. Call 781-3511. Bring your friends.

Beth Sholom Seniors have scheduled their yearly Chanukah Party for Wednesday, Dec. 26 at 7.30 p.m. in the synagogue auditorium. **Rabbi David Monson** and **Cantor David Bagley** will be guests on that evening. Refreshments will be served. Publicity chairperson is **Eve Donsky.**

Beth Emeth Friendship Club is holding its Chanukah Latke Party at the shul, 100 Elder St., on Tuesday, Dec. 18 at 6.30 p.m. cost is $5 per person. Live entertainment and dancing with the **Roth Family** will add to the festivities. For more details call **Carl Pasternak,** 633-2997 or the program office, 636-4426. Reservations are absolutely necessary. You are invited to drop in at the Wilmington Community Centre, 205 Wilmington Ave., Monday through Thursday, 1 - 4 p.m.

Good Age Club convenes every Thursday afternoon from 2 - 4 in the main lounge of the Bloor JCC. Contact **Mark Egan** or **Elaine Katz** at 924-6211.

Upper Canada Friendship Club , 4266 Bathurst St., is having a Chanukah Party on Tuesday, Dec. 18 at 5.30 p.m., with entertainment by the North York Choraliers. Director is **Al Wyand,** and accompanist is **Eleanor Ackerman Rice.** Enjoy a kosher meat dinner, latkes, wine, tea, cake and soft drinks. Entertainment director is **Dora Posluns;** social chairperson is **Hilda Mandel.** Tickets are $4.50 members, $6 non-members. For reservations call **Sally Goldstein,** 630-1683 or **Bernice Liddard,** 635-8708.

Earl Bales Seniors Place will be closed from Jan. 1 to March 18. The executive and board wish all a happy, healthy winter and hope to see you in the spring. For further information call 636-7856, Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The **Workman's Circle Social Club,** 471 Lawrence Ave. W., meets on Tuesday, Dec. 18, at noon, and the Chanukah Party will include lunch with all the trimmings. Singer **Edith Montgomery** and pianist **Ada Lewis** will entertain. **Rabbi David Monson** will be a guest. **Emil Aufgang** will distribute tickets and insurance policies for people going on the Miami trip. These must be picked up in person. If you have any questions call 222-7727.

The Heritage Players present Our Stars on Broadway, directed by **Nathan Garnick.** This gala cabaret night, featuring **Nathan Rosen** at the honkytonk piano, is planned for Saturday, Dec. 15, 8 p.m., in the assembly room, Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. Tickets are available from the office. Admission price, $5.50 members, and $6, non-members, includes refreshments.

Holy Blossom Temple Alumni are having a Chanukah Luncheon at 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 19, with entertainment by **Marvin Rosenhein.**

Singer **Eva Fishman,** pianist **Faygl Gartner** and comedian **Nafty,** will entertain at a Chanukah Luncheon for **Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club, on Monday, Dec. 17 at 12.30 p.m.**

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

As part of the Lifelong Learning Institute, the **Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living,** at 1003 Steeles Ave. W., will screen two award winning National Film Board productions for and about seniors, on Thursday, Dec. 20, 1.30 p.m. Come out and see All of Our Lives, and On Our Own.

What Can You Expect From Your Family Doctor? **Dr. Sol Baum,** a family physician known to many Creative members, will examine this important question and talk about such issues as how often you should have a checkup, what tests are really routine, do doctors actually make house calls anymore. Hear him on Thursday, Dec. 13, 1.30 p.m.There is no charge to members, non-members, 50¢.

On Sunday, Dec. 16 at 2 p.m., **Mordecai Ben-Dat** of the Canada-Israel Committee, will give an update on the situation in Israel.

Enjoy the songs of **Ruth Slater** at a Chanukah Luncheon, Wednesday, Dec. 19, at noon.

For more details on Creative Living Events, telephone 225-2112.

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Register for the PACE [Public Affairs and Continuing Education] programs commencing in January, on Sunday, Dec. 16, 9 a.m. - noon, at the JCC northern branch, 4588 Bathurst St. Courses include, Advanced Parenting; Common Sense Approach to Parenting for Toddlers; Common Sense Approach to Parenting for School Age; Biofeedback - Exploring Our Inner World; Mid Life Challenge and Computers - Beginners. To inquire further call **Georgine Nash** or **Sylvia Zeidenberg** at 636-1880.

Pre-Nursery programs for children from newborn to 5 years, begin the week of Jan. 7 at the northern branch. Registration for members is on Sunday, Dec. 16, non-members, Wednesday, Dec. 19. For additional information call **Rona Koshansky** , 636-1880.

The Step-Children is the title of a talk to be given by therapist **Wendy Malich,** on Monday, Dec. 17, 8 - 9.30 p.m. as part of the Topics Unlimited series offered by PACE at the JCC northern branch.

Are you married again? Join the **North-East Jewish Community Centre Second-Time Around Couples Group** for a discussion on Re-Marriage and the Law, Thursday, Dec. 13, 8 p.m., at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. For more information call **Fran Chodak,** 889-0813.

North-East Women Over 40 Group presents **Dr. Kathleen Kerr,** a general practitioner, who will explain Health Through Nutrition - You Are What You Eat, at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St., Wednesday, Dec. 12, 8 p.m.

For a great afternoon, come to the JCC Valley with all the family on Sunday, Dec. 16, 2 -4 p.m. Hear interesting stories and songs, make a menorah of your own, eat latkes with applesauce, enjoy breakdancing, bingo, dreydel games, creative crafts and a puppet show at a super Chanukah Party. Admission per family is $5, members, $7, non-members.

singles

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Do you live in the downtown area? Are you tired of shlepping to the suburbs for social activities? Would you like to be part of a pioneering group [ages 30 - 50] for downtown Singles residents? If so, call **Bernie,** 963-9338, after 6.30 p.m.

40 Plus Singles of Holy Blossom Temple 1950 Bathurst St. is arranging a Chanukah Brunch at noon on Sunday, Dec. 16 in the Maurice Eisendrath auditorium. **Fay Dworkin** and **Paul Matthew** will provide musical entertainment for this frailach event, and the menu will offer latkes, light dessert, tea and coffee. Admission is $3 members, $4, non-members.

Holy Blossom Single/Single Parents Group looks forward to an Oneg Shabbat following the 8.30 p.m. Friday service. The rabbi and the executive invite you to attend a special musical program to be given by **Cantor Benjamin Maissner.** For more information call the hotline, 485-9911.

The JCC of Toronto and Jewish Singles Project Connect present the Jewish Singles Coffee House Plus. "Come and see how we've changed!" Use of gym, pool, [bring lock and towel], refreshments and entertainment are all taking place in the fabulous JCC Men's Health Club, 4588 Bathurst St., Saturday, Dec. 15 at 8.30 p.m.

Jewish Singles Project Connect invite you to join them for a Dairy Brunch with guest speaker, psychologist **Norm Forman,** who will explore Single Survival in the 80s, Sunday, Jan. 13, 11.30 a.m. - 2.30 p.m. at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Cost is $8 [no refunds]. RSVPs are a must. Call 731-4600, mornings.

The Singles Events Tape operates weekdays after 4 p.m. and all day on weekends, giving details of Jewish Singles activities in the Greater Toronto area. Call 731-4600.

Total Living Mature Singles is having a Chanukah meeting on Sunday, Dec. 16 at 8 p.m. in the Kadimah Room of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, 100 Elder St. Guest speaker will be **Frank Feather,** of Global Management Bureau, a consultant on future trends, emerging issues and their strategic implications, who has just returned from China. Admission is $2 members, $3, non-members. Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome.

Solelim, [ages 20 - 35] will meet for cross country skiing on Sunday, Dec. 16 at 11 a.m. in front of the north doors of the Bay in Lawrence Plaza. Car pooling is available. Bring your lunch. For additional information call **Susan,** 638-0920 or **Jeff,** 783-3019. An alternate program is planned if there is no snow.

North-East Jewish Single/Single Parents general meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 12, 8 p.m. at Hillcrest Public Library, 5801 Leslie St. Speaker will be **Sharyn Gunther** from the Jewish Dateline. Cost for members is $2, non-members, $3. For more information call **Fran Chodak,** 889-0813.

The final session of the **North-East Jewish Single Parents** Newly Separated Workshop, is

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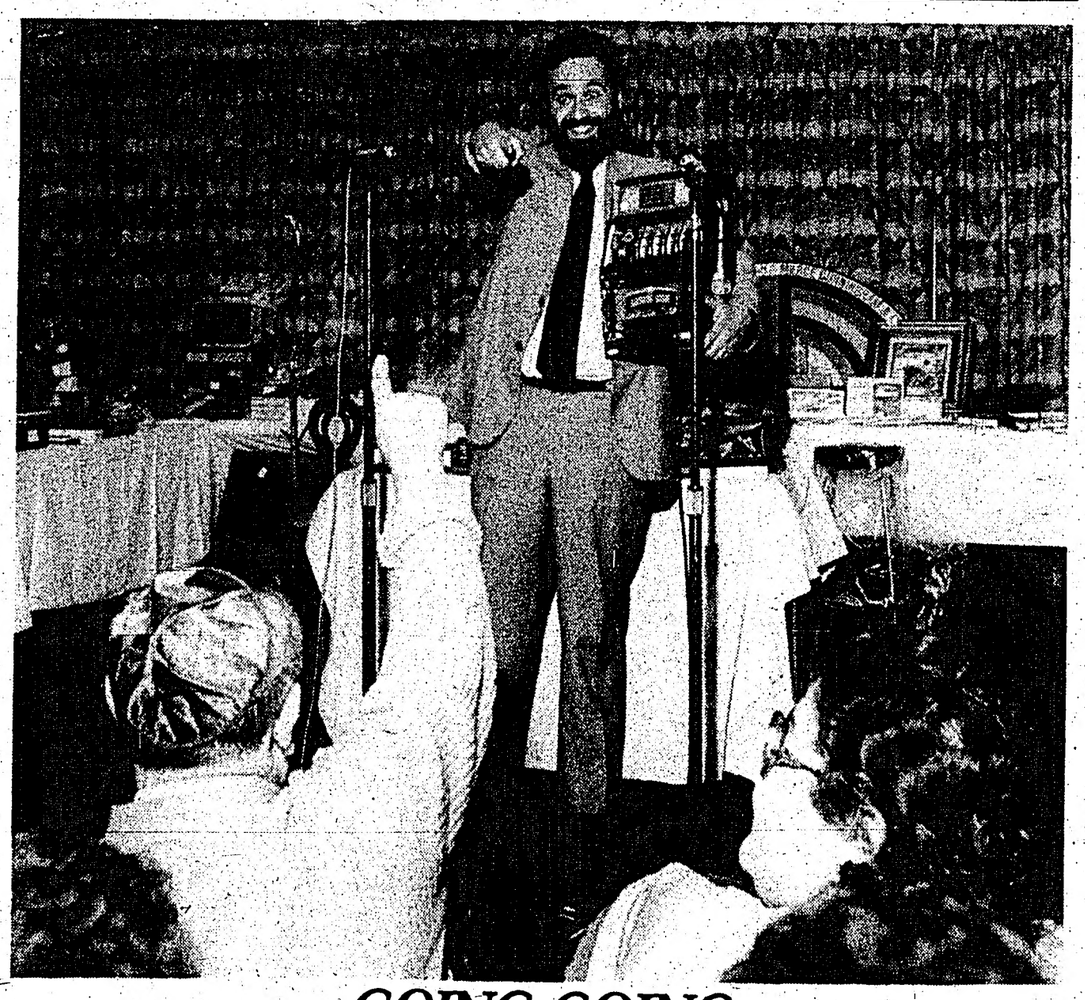

GOING GOING...

Barry Katz has just found a buyer for a slot machine — one of the 300 items sold at a recent fund raising auction for She'arim Hebrew Day School. The auction, which lasted five hours, raised $8,500. Katz, a social worker and former professional auctioneer, is the father of a She'arim student. (Graphic Artists photo).

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on Tuesday, Dec. 18, 8 p.m. at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Topic will be The Emotional Ups and Downs of Separation and Divorce.

Are you worried about the Canadian economy and your financial future? At the next Small Group Discussion sponsored by the **North-East Single/Single Parents,** you will learn ways to invest your money safely. The program will be held Wednesday, Dec. 19, 8 p.m., at the JCC Valley.

At the Dec. 17 gathering of the **Singles 40 Plus Coffee House,** there will be a Chanukah Party with latkes and all the trimmings. It begins at 8 p.m. in the 2nd floor lounge, northern branch JCC, 4588 Bathurst St. To inquire further, contact the JCC, 636-1880, ext. 332 or **Doris,** 636-1687.

Bnai B'rith Women Orah Chapter, a new group of single women, [25 - 40] being formed, invites you to its first Chanukah Party on Tuesday, Dec. 18, 7.30 p.m., at the B'nai B'rith Building, 15 Hove St. Latkes, nashes and gifts will be provided. Orah welcomes new members. For information call **Penny Krowitz,** 630-9313, days.

B'Nai B'rith Women is starting a new chapter. If you are 40 plus and anxious to become part of a Jewish women's network, you are invited to an informal discussion to help formulate the basis of this group. The initial meeting is on Monday, Dec. 17 at the BB Building, 15 Hove St., 8 p.m. in the library. For additional details call Penny Krowitz, 630-9313, days.

Club Kinneret [ages 20 - 40] is arranging a few options for New Year's Eve, including a trip to Niagara Falls, priced from $56.45 per person, double occupancy. This covers transportation by Via Rail, hotel accommodation and a tour of the Festival of Lights. For further information on this and other New Year's options, contact **Stan Glass,** 638-0747, or 593-0600, days. Deadline for the Niagara Falls trip reservations is Tuesday, Dec. 18.

On Thursday, Dec. 20, the **Bloor JCC** presents the Dance of Lights, 8 p.m. - midnight. Tickets are $5 in advance, $6 at the door. Buy early, to avoid disappointment. For more details contact **Mark Egan,** 924-6211.

Singles/Single Parents are welcome for an afternoon of ice or roller skating [children invited]. Meet at The Terrace, 70 Mutual St., 1.30 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 16 and look for **Karen,** or **Lorne.** For additional information phone **Karen,** 638-0192 or **Len,** 783-4605, evenings.

Singles Night at Rooneys is planned for Monday, Dec. 18, 8 p.m., 2 Rosehill Ave. [two blocks south of St. Clair Ave., at Yonge St.]. There will be a double door prize - two dinners for two, at Le Connaisseur. Admission is $5 per person.

Pioneer Women Na'amat's newest Singles group [career women mid 30s to mid 40s], will meet next on Thursday, Dec. 13, 8 p.m. at 111 Ridelle Ave., apt. 901 [north of Eglinton, just east of Marlee]. A program will be presented by **Irma Parkkonen** of IMP Makeup Artistry and Color Consultation. New members are welcome. For more information call 636-5425, days, or 633-6983, evenings and weekends.

About People

YONA GAZIT IN LEBANON

United Israel Appeal's former representative in Ontario, **Yona Gazit,** has returned to the Israeli army in the capacity of chief spokesperson at the military talks now underway between Israel and Lebanon in the Lebanese town of Nakoura.

HERUT HATZOHAR EXECUTIVE

Herut Hatzohar Organization of Canada has elected the following executive for a 2-year term: president, **Sam Polster;** immediate past president, **Louis D.Silver;** vice-presidents, **Tamara Branitsky, Bea Shainhouse, Nechemia Wurman;** chairman of the board, **Louis Shainhouse;** treasurer, **Lewis J.E. Moses,** associate treasurer, **Shoel Silver;**secretary, **Max Freiberg;** membership chairman, **David Kamchi, Stan Moskoske;** public relations and information,**Louis D. Silver;** programming, **Ralph Fromer, Morris Mlotek;** liaison with CZF, **Morris Mlotek, Lewis J.E. Moses, Bea Shainhouse;** liaison with World Movement, **Jack Lubinsky;** organization, planning and ideology, **Ralph Fromer, Morris Mlotek, M.J. Nurenberger, Sam Shainhouse;** additional executive, **Doris Frimmerman, Harry Frimmerman, Joseph Kalfa, Sheldon Lerman, Vladimir Machlis, Harry Mann, Helen Mlotek, Ben Otis and Jack Spodek.**

VIGODA ELECTED

Toronto resident **Morris Vigoda** has been elected to the executive board of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods and the Jewish Chautauqua Society, for a 2-year term.

Vigoda was president of Holy Blossom Temple Brotherhood and JCS chairman.

He is fund raising chairman and board member of Upper Canada Lodge, B'nai B'rith, and is also a life member of the Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada.

Campaign HOT-line

David West and **Charles Kasner** are two happy fellows since their all-day Sunday telethon two weeks ago. The Synagogue Division Co-chairmen had what they term "very gratifying results" from one of their most ambitious telethon efforts in this campaign.

With 24 of their most seasoned canvassers to lend a hand, as well as a number of new faces, not only were many more cards than expected successfully covered, but **125 new** contributors made sizeable gifts. All of which should add considerably to the division's increases.

Doing a yeoman job during the day and evening were: **Hy & Suzanne Agasee, Morris Appleby, Art & Rose Cooper, Saul Goldberg, Irving Green, Harry Handler, Harold & Terri Kates, Morris Kuchinsky, William Leibach, Joe Lester, Bernie & Beverley Little, Dr. Barry Scarf, Helen Schwartz, Jeff Schwartz, Peter Shour, Frank Steiman, David Stokes, Morris Wilinsky, Wilf Yaphe** and **Max Zeifman.**

It's good to see husband and wife teams working in tandem.

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A small but effective group participated in the second Dentists Division telethon. They included **Drs. Mervin Cooper, Hersh Glickman, Stan Jacobson, Paul Levin, Howard Tile** and **Les Train.**

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The Young Adults evening program which featured **Judy Feld Carr** speaking on "Syrian Jewry — the forgotten hostages of the Middle East," resulted in the circulation of a petition on behalf of Syrian Jewry. It was sent on to our Minister for External Affairs, the **Rt. Hon. Joe Clark.**

Mrs. Carr was also presented with a donation to the **Ronald Feld Fund,** which was initiated a number of years ago to help Jews in Arab lands.

The program was chaired by **Rebecca Egier,** who planned the evening with superlative assist from a committee of seven which included: **Ron Benrubi, Harley Goldlist, Loretta Levinson, Debbie Milstein, Nadine Mayers, Adelle Reichert** and **Rob Schachter.**

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Young Adults fund-raising captains — Roz Krakowsky, Paul Litwack, Susan Marcus and **Neil Reine** — have been responsible for a series of mini-telethons, with the final one for the 1985 campaign held last Sunday.

Beginning with a 9:30 breakfast, the telethon ended at 1:00 with the presentation of prizes to top canvasers. And there were great prizes to be had, like dinner for two at the Royal York Hotel Imperial Room; a blow dryer; curling irons; gift certificates from Harry Rosen (for men and women); and more.

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Community Services Chairman, **Sam Ruth,** hasn't been resting on his laurels since he engineered the big luncheon meeting for all agency personnel at the Lipa Green Building in November.

His division's campaign has been moving along with no fuss or hooplah. Last week he arranged for **Yossi Glatt** to be guest speaker at the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living where he addressed members of the staff. Glatt later spoke at a staff campaign meeting at Co-ordinated Services to the Jewish Elderly. We're keeping Yossi hopping these days, but he loves every minute of it.

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Lots of happy faces at the first Women's Division Pull-in. So many completed cards were turn in, it took supermarket bags to haul the take.

The campaign film, **Promises to Keep,** has been shown to staff at Mount Sinai Hospital. There will be another round of showings on January 8th.

David Marks, Director of fund-raising at Mount Sinai, is making sure every member of the hospital staff will be contacted for a UJA commitment.

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Dr. Rupert Shriar, Toronto Jewish Congress Director of Social Planning, presented a brief and telling account of Toronto's Jewish poor at last week's breakfast meeting.

He pointed out that according to Statistics Canada figures, 14% of this city's Jewish population subsists on marginal incomes or below the poverty line.

Most affected are single-parent households led by women, and the elderly whose numbers have increased dramatically in the past decade.

Dr. Shriar said the Jewish community should be made aware of the large segment of our population living in hardship, and stressed the need to allocate more funds to serve the many who require backup and special assistance.

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Anti-semitic riot in the Beaches recalled

Neighborhoods series profiles Toronto areas

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

It's one of Toronto's less auspicious historical tidbits, but one which isn't forgotten either: In the 1920s, full-scale rioting erupted in the Beaches section of the city (in those days, the Beaches had real swimming beaches) because Jews were using the area to bathe in Lake Ontario.

It's an episode most people would rather forget, but the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) has remembered and used it in one instalment of its ambitious, 13-part television series entitled Neighborhoods. The program is seen in Toronto every Tuesday night at 7 on the CBC affiliate, CBLT.

Launched on Oct. 21, Neighborhoods profiles a different area of Toronto each week through historical records, local gossip and lore, interviews with prominent and not-so-prominent residents and archival footage.

The project is one of the CBC's most aspiring, as well as most expensive. To offset costs, the network applied for and received a grant from the federal ministry of multiculturalism. At a downtown hotel here recently, CBC officials got together with City of Toronto representatives, the minister for multiculturalism Jack Murta and about 200 invited guests for one big pat on the back.

Murta praised the series as "unique in the world. I want all Canadians to see that Toronto is an exciting place to live because it has welcomed people from around the world," he said.

Each show is a cultural microcosm of Toronto. Areas examined include distinctly recognizable parts of the city: Danforth-Riverdale; the Beaches; St. Clair West; Rosedale and the popular Kensington market.

And each is narrated by a different Torontonian — the likes of actress Lolly Cadeau; former Mayor John Sewell; Martha Jonson (of Martha and the Muffins fame); and The King of Kensington, Al Waxman, who narrated, natch, the Kensington segment last week.

Kensington holds a special place in the city's Jewish community. Given that so many Jewish immigrants were merchants by trade, they naturally gravitated to "the market," which was 90% Jewish at one point in the 30s.

Viewers who saw the segment were treated to a tour of the area's only synagogue that still holds daily services, the Minsker shul and to a chat with the descendants of the Daiter's, whose grandparents set up a creamery/deli in the 20s (they entertained guests in the store too) and whose children and grandchildren expanded the musty little store into a chain of supermarkets.

It's precisely this type of success story the series chronicles: immigrants, native Canadians, artists, professionals and young people all contributing to the cultural hodgepodge that is Toronto.

To honor the city's sesquicentennial, Murta and the CBC presented the city with a 10-minute excerpt of Neighborhoods. Accepting the gift, Alderman Anne Johnson said she is looking forward to Toronto's bicentennial, "when the shows will be even more valuable."

From left to right, the CBC's Ontario director Don Goodwin and Canada's minister for multiculturalism Jack Murta present Toronto Alderman Anne Johnson and David Garrick, chairman of the city's sesquicentennial board, with a 10-minute encapsulized version of Neighborhoods.

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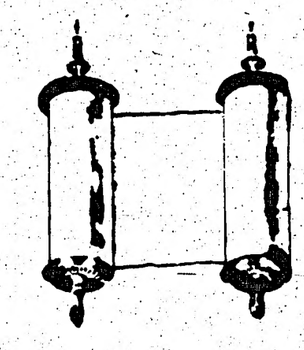

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Vayeshev

Nothing is easy. Everything in life must be struggled for.

A disciple complained to Reb Avraham of Slonim: "All my life I am trying to do teshuvah (return to G-d) and I don't feel any change at all!"

Answered the Rebbe; "You know what it is like? A person fell into mud. He struggled to get out. Footstep followed footstep, but his feet were still sunk deep. But . . . each step took him closer to the edge of the mud! Even the smallest step was freeing him!"

So with teshuvah. How does a Jew become a Jew? Overnight? Those who turn one way overnight can flip backwards the next night.

What is a Jew's job in life? To climb, step by step, to G-d.

In this week's parsha are the beautiful dreams of Joseph which he told his brothers. "For, behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and lo, my sheaf arose and also stood upright . . . and behold, your sheaves came round about and bowed down by my sheaf. . . ."

Then came a second dream. . . . "Behold, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars bowed down to me. . . ."

Strange dreams! First he dreamed about the lowly earth, bundling sheaves. Then the sun and moon and stars — a jump into the heavens!

But — explains the L'Torah u'Limoadim — when a person does his tasks on earth, he takes the earth, he takes the bundles of wheat, he takes his accountancy, his computers, his medicine, his storekeeping, his cooking and dishwashing, and dedicates it to the Almighty. . . .

• When he gathers the sheaves . . . when he gathers the sparks of holiness that surround us like a rain of light, draws them together, raises them up by prayer and saintliness. . . .

• When a Jew doesn't hide from life, doesn't spend his hours awake planning a bigger house, when he spreads love and kindness and doesn't say business is business; when kedusha, and simcha, and ahavas Yisrael (holiness, joy and love of every Jew, and every creature of G-d) radiates from his every action. . . .

• When nothing is out of the bonds of holiness, when everything is lifted up. . . .

Then the sun and moon and stars pale before such a Jew! The man stands, and the heavens bow!

Why did G-d create the world except that we should perform mitzvahs and kindness here? What else does he need from us?

All our tzures are from the hatred that Joseph's brothers held for him. The hatred of brothers, the hatred of Jew against Jew. A cancer, G-d forbid!

Every Jew must love each other like his own heart.

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We have to set priorities.

They asked one scholar: "Everyone agrees that wisdom is greater than wealth. Then why is it that the rabbis all trek to the houses of the rich to raise funds, but the rich don't trek to the rabbis to learn wisdom?"

He answered: "The scholarly rabbis know the value of the wealthy man's money. But the wealthy man doesn't know how to value the wisdom of the rabbis. . . ."

Against all odds, we shall be as one. Easy as ABC — Good Shabbes.

First in camp's history

Camp Ramah gets female director

By
VIVIEN SHARON

TORONTO — For the first time in its 25-year history, a young woman and non-rabbi has been appointed camp director and administrative head of Camp Ramah in Canada.

Judith Markose, 26, assumed the dual role recently at the Camp Ramah headquarters at 3101 Bathurst St., Suite 406, with the enthusiasm of a camper combined with the expertise of an executive.

A graduate of Columbia University with a Master's degree in social work from the Hunter College School of Social Work in New York city, Markose has also studied at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

For Markose, who was born in Union, NJ, her job experience and sensitivity of Judaism and young people qualifies her as director of Canada's camp for the Conservative movement, according to Sidney Zweig, chairman of the camp committee for 12 years.

Judith Markose

"Judy Markose is acutely sensitive to Jewish Conservative traditions and is consumed with the passion to arouse and influence young people toward strong Jewish commitment and belief. Her enthusiasm works on all levels — it reaches the campers, the staff and the community," Zweig said in a recent interview.

Markose has settled in Downsview, where her husband, Rabbi Howard Markose, is assistant rabbi at Adath Israel Congregation. She is the daughter of Conservative Rabbi Elvin Kose.

Herself a Ramah camper as a child, Markose served as a division head for Camp Ramah in New England and assistant director of the New Jersey YM-YWHA Camps.

"Camp Ramah is a total experience whose impact lasts well beyond the summer months. Young people develop skills and leadership, lasting friendships, and a Jewish consciousness that helps them to become vibrant members of your family and home community," said Markose recently in her office.

"We feel the camp is a 'living lab' and a summer extension of Hebrew day and congregational school in an active and vital form," she added.

The goal of the camp is to teach children that "in Canadian society a person can be Jewish and still function in this world," she said. "We demonstrate to them that the two are not mutually exclusive."

Camp Ramah attempts to teach the "ethics of Judaism — how to live as a Jew and relate to each other. We do that through such things as a baseball game or in waterfront sports. There's nothing unholy about competition but the ability to know how to win and lose."

Before a child is accepted, his or her synagogue rabbi or Hebrew school principal must complete a questionnaire explaining where the child is in school and what he is learning. A minimum of six hours per week of Hebrew studies is required for admission.

Approximately 375 boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 16 are accepted from a region that covers Ontario, Quebec, Alberta, Pittsburgh, upper New York state, Michigan and Ohio. More than 125 staff workers are hired, all of whom must have a thorough knowledge of Hebrew and Jewish tradition. (About 20 staffers are recruited directly from Israel).

Rabbi Israel Silverman and his wife Gloria, from Hamilton, act as consultants in residence on religious and halachic matters.

In addition to a course of study, the campers are required to attend worship services each morning. Afternoon and evening services are also held for those wishing to attend. But attendance is mandatory on the Sabbath.

Toronto businessman and philanthropist, Barney Golhar, and Rabbi Stuart Rosenberg were instrumental in selecting the Canadian site back in 1960, and raising funds from Conservative synagogues throughout Ontario and Quebec. The camp site they purchased was formerly Camp Winnebago.

Located in Utterson, Ont. outside of Bracebridge in the Muskoka region on Skeleton Lake, the camp is a 2½-hour drive from Metro Toronto.

Camp Ramah in Canada is operated by the Camp Ramah in Canada Committee and is under the educational supervision of the National Ramah Commission and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

For further information, contact the camp office at 789-2193.

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Shul's demise to create new Israel congregation

By
PAUL LUNGEN

CAMBRIDGE, Ont. — When the synagogue had to keep its doors shut during the High Holiday season, the message to the congregation was crystal clear.

The end was inevitable. Within a few months, the synagogue in which the community had been davening for over 36 years was sold.

One synagogue closes, another opens its doors for the first time.

Perhaps the tiny Jewish community of Cambridge, Ont. can take heart in knowing the closure of their shul will give life to a sister congregation in Israel that will carry on its name.

But yet, for the 10 or 12 families who davened at the B'Nai Israel Congregation, the loss of their shul is a sad event.

"We tried to keep it involved," says Daniel Spring, the synagogue's recording secretary and treasurer. "But it was a losing battle. We had to look the facts in the face."

The facts the Jews of Cambridge, a city of 75,000 about 80 kms. southwest of Toronto, had to face were twofold: a dwindling population base and a $6,000 per year bill for maintaining a building that was used infrequently.

The Jewish community of Cambridge had been losing members for years, says Gerry Gangbar, a member of the congregation since she and her husband Shep moved there in 1957.

"In the old days, we used to get 90 people to High Holiday services," she recalls. "But now we didn't have the people. We couldn't get enough for a minyan on the High Holidays," she says.

"It's the same old story. The younger Jewish people — even those of every age — have been leaving. I don't think there are any second generation Jews here, except for one family," she says.

At one time, prospects for the shul looked good. Twenty years ago, demand on the facility led the community to construct an addition to the building, which originally had been the home of a local bank manager.

A new kitchen and foyer were added, and over the years it was used for bar mitzvahs, weddings, naming babies and aufrufs on the one hand, and stags, art shows and raffles on the other.

Though that all came to an end in recent years, the people of Cambridge can take some consolation in knowing their synagogue's name will at least live on — thousands of miles away in Israel.

Arrangements are being made to have the proceeds of sale used to establish a new house of worship in Israel — the Congregation B'Nai Israel Cambridge. Negotiations are now under way with the Israeli government through the United Israel Appeal, says Spring.

Once the location is determined (sites in Tel Aviv and near Jerusalem are being considered) subject to approval by the Cambridge congregation, the artifacts and religious items from the synagogue will be sent along with the monetary contribution. The memorial plaques will go too, and arrangements will be made for someone at the new synagogue to say kaddish on yahrzeits, Spring says.

For Shep Gangbar, the end of a 27-year association with the synagogue leaves him with pangs of regret.

"I feel very sad the shul is being sold. When I came here, there was a shul and we worked very hard to support it. It's sad to give it up."

Littman to represent the Wiesenthal Centre

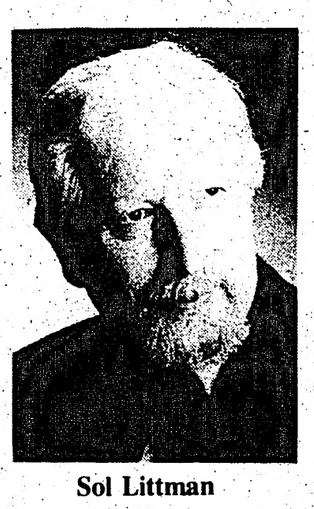
LOS ANGELES — Toronto journalist and author Sol Littman, considered to be an expert on Nazi war criminals, has been appointed by the Los Angeles-based Simon Wiesenthal Centre as its first Canadian representative.

"The Simon Wiesenthal Centre is honored to welcome to its ranks such a distinguished Canadian citizen who brings with him a wealth of knowledge, commitment and experience," said Samuel Belzberg of Vancouver, the centre's board chairman, in a statement.

"His appointment reflects the centre's resolve to ensure that Canada no longer remains one of the safest havens for the perpetrators of history's most heinous crimes."

Littman will head up the centre's effort to encourage Ottawa to deal with the thousands of former Nazi war criminals and collaborators in Canada. In addition, he will monitor neo-Nazi and Holocaust "revisionist" activities through his Toronto office.

Littman is the author of War Criminal on Trial: The Rauca Case, and recently returned from a 10-week research trip to Western and Eastern Europe during which he uncovered evidence that upwards of 3,000 Nazi war criminals and collaborators reached Canada after World War II — often through the connivance of British and U.S. intelligence services.



Sol Littman

In November, Littman and other representatives of the Wiesenthal Centre, presented his findings to Solicitor-general Elmer MacKay and other members of Parliament.

Littman has served on the editorial board of The Toronto Star, produced an award-winning documentary for CBC and regularly contributes to Canada's magazines.

Within the Jewish community, Littman ran a youth centre for orphans of Holocaust victims and was for 13 years a senior staff member of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

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Organizations and People

New tribute for "Mr. Baycrest"

Building's new name honors Abe, Elsie Posluns

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —
In tribute to the man whom Ontario Premier William Davis calls "Mr. Baycrest," the Jewish Home for the Aged, part of the Baycrest Hospital complex, has been renamed the Abe and Elsie Posluns Building.

The announcement of this was applauded by more than 1,000 guests at the 36th annual Jewish National Fund Negev dinner held recently at the Royal York Hotel, an event described by Toronto JNF president Sidney Bearg as "a great demonstration of affection" for honoree Abe Posluns.

"Faith, selflessness and sincerity have always motivated Abe," dinner chairman Sydney Cooper said. "He has a kindly and compassionate nature, and his goal has always been to make society more responsive to those less privileged."

His children, Alan Posluns and Dorothy Brown, spoke of the impact their father's devotion to the family and to the community has had on their lives.

"The most meaningful way we could pay tribute to Abe Posluns is to honor and emulate his record of service," Alan said.

"My father is both a perfectionist and a sentimentalist," Brown said. "He has a contagious capacity for energy — and a large capacity for love."

The affection spilled over into tears as Eric Exton, immediate past president of JNF Canada, told the guests that "Abe Posluns' gift of his own time represents a value far beyond any assessment.

"Abe Posluns has found time for almost limitless service to the community," Exton said. Then, his voice breaking, he told of Abe's 1-day trip from Toronto to Florida to cheer him when Exton found himself seriously ill and hospitalized.

"Jews don't erect monuments," Exton said in presenting the JNF citation to Posluns.

"Jews have understood that there are monuments more enduring than bronze. We have created working monuments: monuments that give dignity to the process of aging; that nurture our culture.

"Baycrest stands as a monument in the best sense of the word."

In his response, Posluns insisted that the award belonged not only to him but to his family. With affection and respect, he spoke of his parents, who arrived from Poland 80 years ago "with the courage and the faith and the determination to make a good life for their family.

"How proud they would have been," he said, as he paid tribute to the accomplishments of his two late brothers, Lou (president of the YM/YWHA when it was still on Brunswick Ave.) and Joe, "who stayed in the background, encouraging us and backing us up;" and to his surviving brother Sam, seated in the audience, who was the youngest-ever president of the United Jewish Welfare Fund, and the founding president of the Bureau of Jewish Education.

His tribute to his wife, "my bride who has been at my side for 55 years," was especially poignant, since illness prevented her at the last moment from attending the dinner.

"You know I'm a softie," he told his children, as he recounted how, a number of years ago, they had had him in tears as they played the gift they had bought him — Eddie Fisher's recording of "Oh My Papa" — during his birthday dinner.

And he praised them, their families, and his nephew Wilfred for their involvement in the community.

"Whatever good I've done, I've been repaid a millionfold," he said, as he described the rewards of community work.

"You've not lived unless you've done something for someone who can't repay you."

But we are the debtors, he said in turning to Israel. "With the founding of the State of Israel, I became a Jew with a homeland.

"We share a sense of excitement at its accomplishments. But the Israelis have paid dearly and we can never repay our debt. We can never do enough."

Families like the Posluns "are the kinds of family trees that make the continuation of Jewish life possible," Israel Consul General Gideon Saguy said.

"As long as the roots of our trees and your trees meet in the forests of Israel, nothing shall happen to the Jewish people."

And Alexander Mayers, national JNF president, pointed out that Canada sends more money per capita to the JNF than any other country — and Toronto provides 40% of the total cash flow to Israel.

In three years, Mayers said, well over $30 million has been subscribed of the total $35 million goal for Galil Canada, the Canadian project involving 14 villages in Central Galil.

An audio-visual presentation focused on the young pioneer families settling in Galil Canada. As faces of children multiplied on the screen, the narrator's voice repeated the biblical promise: For the Lord your God is He that goes with you to save you and none shall make you afraid.

One Negev Dinner tradition — ending on time — was almost jeopardized as Don Carr gave an unscheduled tribute to JNF executive director Kurt Weinberg, who after 18 years is retiring to make aliya.

Describing him as "the fulcrum around which everything turns for these functions," Carr told Weinberg that "we look with warm regard at those traits of care, precision and perfectionism" that have resulted in tremendous growth in JNF receipts both for the dinner and for other fund raising efforts.

Rabbi Benjamin Friedberg of Beth Tzedec Congregation gave the invocation and Cantor Paul Kowarsky, also of Beth Tzedec, led the grace after the meal and the national anthems of Canada and Israel.

And in a tradition that goes back to 1961, Robert Hall served as master of ceremonies. He was also able to usurp one of dinner chairman Sidney Bearg's functions — making acknowledgments — when he made a presentation to Bearg himself.

As Sidney Bearg (left) looks on, Eric Exton presents the Negev Citation to 1984 honoree Abe Posluns. Sydney Cooper is on the right. (Graphic Artists photo).

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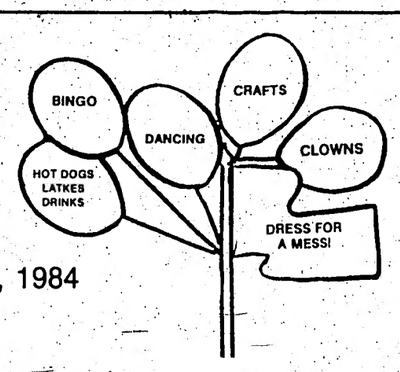

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Organization "putting brakes on extremism"

Gesher seeks to reduce polarization in Israel

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

A growing number of youth in Israel are being attracted to extremist solutions, says Rabbi Emanuel Forman, a director of Gesher-Israel, a movement which works towards overcoming the growing gap separating religious and non-religious Jewish youth in Israel.

Speaking at Gesher's recent annual meeting in Toronto, Forman, formerly the rabbi of Shaarei Shomayim Congregation and now of Netanya, Israel, said that the deteriorating ideological and spiritual life in Israel has led to polarization and extremism.

"Israeli society is in deep trouble — the economic crisis is the most visible of the ills, but the social problems are no less critical."

Forman said that as mass Western culture is flooding in through the media, many Israeli youngsters are becoming increasingly alienated from their people and culture.

At the same time, some religious communities, led by men such as Rabbi Meir Kahane, have gained strength and have become increasingly estranged from the non-religious community.

"We are witnessing the tendency toward splintering and extremism that is fragmenting the social fabric of Israel," said Forman.

"At Gesher, we are putting the brakes on extremism." He explained that Gesher (which means bridge in Hebrew) is bridging the gap between religious and non-religious youth by conducting informal study and discussion seminars for thousands of high school students in the Israeli school systems.

"Extremism is the result of the arrogance of certainty," said Forman. "By bringing together various groupings in Israel in an honest and open exchange of views, we have created an environment of self-inquiry and questioning which is healthy for our society."

Forman added that "this type of programming reduces tensions and hostilities amongst diverse groups and helps to rehabilitate Israeli society.

"We are doing this through a myriad of projects which include youth encounters and family seminars. These bring together participants from varied religious and cultural backgrounds for a critical appraisal of their values and ideologies."

Forman believes that Gesher is the only organization in Israel that has created a program for tolerance and honesty between religious and cultural groups. This has made Gesher an educational force in Israel, he said.

"We must redouble our efforts because of the rapidity of the social deterioration. Now, more than ever, we must learn to accept diversity, and Gesher is a stabilizing force."

At the recent Gesher Foundation-Canada meeting, Leon Gasner, Lauri Samuels and David Satok were reelected as officers.

As part of Gesher's media outreach program, Forman announced that the 30-minute animated film Lights, which was produced by Gesher, will be seen on Canadian television for Chanukah.

The story of Chanukah, with emphasis on the spiritual dimension of the historical tale and its significance for the modern world, will be seen in the Toronto area on Hello Jerusalem, MTV channel 47, cable 4 on Thursday, Dec. 20 at 1 p.m. and repeated on Sunday, Dec. 23 on MTV 2, cable 33 at 6.30 p.m.

Individuals or groups interested in receiving more information about The Gesher Foundation and its programs can write to Leon Gasner at 44 Milner Ave, Toronto M1S 3P8, or call 291-4451.

(From the left) Rabbi Emanuel Forman, director of Gesher Israel with Gesher Foundation Canada officers, David Satok, Leon Gasner and Lauri Samuels.

Society honors Tanenbaum

TORONTO —

The Joseph Tanenbaum International Honor Society of Torah Umesorah has been established in honor of the Toronto philanthropist,, says Sheldon Beren, president of the educational organization.

The society is "an essential tribute to Joseph Tanenbaum, who has brought the love of Torah learning and observance throughout the world," said Beren, adding, "The society will not give recognition to scholastic achievement exclusively but will honor those whose personal qualities are in keeping with the noblest ideals of Torah."

The society's creation was announced at the recent annual dinner of Torah Umesorah, at which Tanenbaum received the Kesser Torah Award.

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Organizations and People

Lawyer heads John Howard Society

Offenders get help to change lives

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —
One day in 1974, lawyer Robert Sachter got a phone call from a very worried friend.

The friend's son was in trouble with the law. Was Sachter available?

At that time, all Sachter — who practices corporate and commercial law — could do was make sure the young man obtained proper criminal counsel.

Now, a decade later, the 41-year-old lawyer is president of The John Howard Society of Metropolitan Toronto, an organization dedicated to helping men who have run afoul of the law to turn their lives around.

"Through my relationship with my friend's son," says Sachter, "many others came to me and I referred them to appropriate legal representation.

"But when one young man asked me about the services of The John Howard Society, I had to admit I knew very little about their work."

Sachter called the society and found out about the services provided for people who had become involved with the criminal justice system.

Before he knew it, he had become a volunteer.

"It didn't take long before I realized that we cannot dump ex-prisoners on society," says Sachter. "We must reintegrate them into the community as productive taxpaying citizens."

The John Howard Society, whose Toronto chapter recently celebrated its 100th anniversary, is named for an 18th century Englishman who dedicated his life to improving prison conditions.

Sachter is pleased that his board of directors, all volunteers, is made up of representatives from diverse ethnic, social and economic backgrounds. The society is non-sectarian.

"From the Jewish community, our board includes camp director Larry Bell, psychiatrist Mark Ben-Aron and physician Bernard Marlow," he said.

But, to Sachter's distress, there is Jewish involvement on both sides of the society's work.

He cites the case of K, in his late 30s, who was recently convicted of fraud-related crimes. The only son of an affluent family, he was very successful in working his way up in a reputable firm. But his lifestyle moved up even faster.

K was sentenced to 2½ years in prison and given a sizeable fine. Described as a "model inmate," he was released after a year on day parole and later released on full parole under auspices of a parole supervisor at the society.

"We helped him with many of the problems he had to overcome — his broken marriage, finding employment," says Sachter. K has since given "more than 1,600 hours of his time working as a volunteer in a community-based correctional program which assists people like himself.

Robert L. Sachter

Sachter says that like K, many society clients learn to give instead of take from the community.

Forty staff members and 250 trained volunteers work with a continuous caseload of about 300 clients, most between the ages of 18 and 25, who were convicted mainly of white collar and drug-related crimes. They receive visits in the institutions, counseling, parole supervision and aid in job placement. In addition, they have access to the society's 24-hour crisis line.

Helping family members during this period is another priority of the society, says Sachter, a member of Temple Sinai and a past president of B'nai B'rith's Sportsmen's Lodge.

And Sachter proudly speaks of John Howard's successful residences that provide a home-like setting where clients can live a fairly normal life for up to a year after their release from prison and learn "the necessary attitudes and skills to help them return to the community as self-reliant and law-abiding citizens."

He stresses the importance of teaching good eating habits because research indicates nutrition can affect behavior.

"We are proud of our low recidivism rate" for clients who live in the society's group homes, Sachter says, adding that 85% of all offenders return to jail, whereas the rate of return of the society's group home clients is only 15%.

The society's budget is more than $2.5 million and it receives support from the United Way, foundations and private and corporate memberships.

Sachter says the society needs more volunteers and donations to help with an increasing number of clients. He adds that one of the priorities for this year is creating an understanding in the community of the work done by the society.

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Wider, drapier shapes

Crinkle fabrics herald new wave in jeans for spring

By
TRACY NESDOLY

Whether they call it the ripple, the wrinkle, or crinkle, manufacturers are using it. And, they say, it's the innovation for spring — the new wave in jeans.

"Definitely the fabric is the update," says Dave Tanner for the Jordache line at Savroche Industries. He says that in the past there were problems with the crinkle fabrics because they could unpredictably shrink anywhere from five to 14%. But the mills have now perfected the weave.

The new crinkle and lightweight denims result in wider, drapier shapes not possible with the heavier fabric used in the fall.

As far as silhouettes go, "fall was just the beginning" says Steve Michaels for the new Wallys line at Big Blue. He says the spring shapes will be more exaggerated; the wide knees seen in the fall will be wider, the narrow ankles narrower.

Wallys even has a pant that's longer, which can be cropped at the ankle with button snaps but if left unbuttoned, rests on the shoe in folds.

"The clean front is not where the business is at." Michaels says. "Coming from Europe there's a relaxed, comfortable look."

The focus for spring is comfort, agrees Gaelies Renny, a designer at Keystone Industries which handles Comment?, Visa and Daniel Hechter. Renny says the beachy look, often with shorter lengths and wide bottoms with rolled cuffs made in lightweight denim is the news for spring.

Along with the wider silhouettes and drapier fabrics, it's the details that make the jeans. "Jeans are more labor intensive than they have ever been before," says Al Bookalan for Sasson. That means more detailing, with multiple rows of stitching, lots of pockets and seams. The snaps, flaps and zippers of fall are still strong in spring.

Sasson is using "automotive" oval, spring-loaded snaps like those used to tie down convertible car tops, and La Griffe uses diaper snap closures. Bellows pocket flaps are often tacked down with velcro.

The fabric itself also adds to labor intensity. Whether it's by bleaching, laundering or printing, "there's a lot of playing with denim" this season, says Bookalan. Sasson will use the ripple, an adaptation of the crinkle but with a more defined vertical line. Other manufacturers will be using more texture, too.

"The feeling behind most of our cottons," says Richard Brown, at the Rainbow Clothing Company, "is if it looks like you just got out of bed, fantastic."

Colors vary from very bleached indigo to vapor pastels. In the Comment? line there is 100% cotton crinkle denim in baby pink as well as blue. Some lines use printed fabric, too — Jordache has an embosed denim, smooth to the touch but with a crushed look.

Le Mans Manufacturing is using a 1-step bleaching technique in some styles in the new Jovanni line to give a dark, streaky look. Keystone Industries' Visa line has a pant in a very faded floral printed denim.

Many manufacturers are making jackets to finish the look, and again the detail makes the difference.

"They're more labor intensive, with more pockets, double sleeves of the same or different fabrics . . . (in fall) you could dress up a jacket with buckles. Now you need double, even triple layers," says Bookalan.

The jacket layers are lighter weight with separate zippers, and shapes are all oversized. La Griffe is showing blouson jackets with a combination of regular and tweedweave denims.

Further diversification from just jeans is the overall and coverall.

Jordache has a loose tie-waist coverall with rolled cuffs and triangle dropped sleeves in both lightweight denim and chambray.

La Griffe also has a jumpsuit available in pastel crinkle calico and denim, also oversized with boxy rolled sleeves and epaulets.

Both are examples of the wider shapes, the softening of the military look in favor of a more unstructured look and the variety of fabrics in most styles.

Meanwhile, some manufacturers are offering less extreme, slimmer looks. Hollywood Era has a smoother outline for spring, still voluminous but without the huge cargo pockets of fall. Joe Biello of Hollywood Era says there will be fewer snaps, and jeans will be much cleaner than they've been in the past.

Le Mans and Cheeno jeans, Halifax, both have more middle-of-the-road, styles, with all the details of other jeans without the bulk. The Daniel Hechter line at Keystone Industries has also toned down the volume, says Renny. The Visa line at Keystone has a very tight pant and matching vest in the floral denim.

Manufacturers say sales of the classic 5-pocket or narrower jean are still doing well. Rather than dropping their standard line, many manufacturers are simply diversifying. Bookalan says they'll still make the classic jean at Sasson "until it dies completely," and Lou Adler of Sergio Valente says the basic business is still going strong.

— **From STYLE Canada's fashion news**

Pageant official gives makeup tips

TORONTO —

Carol Wise, the official makeup consultant for the Miss Canada Pageant, offers these do and don't tips to fashion-conscious women:

DO:

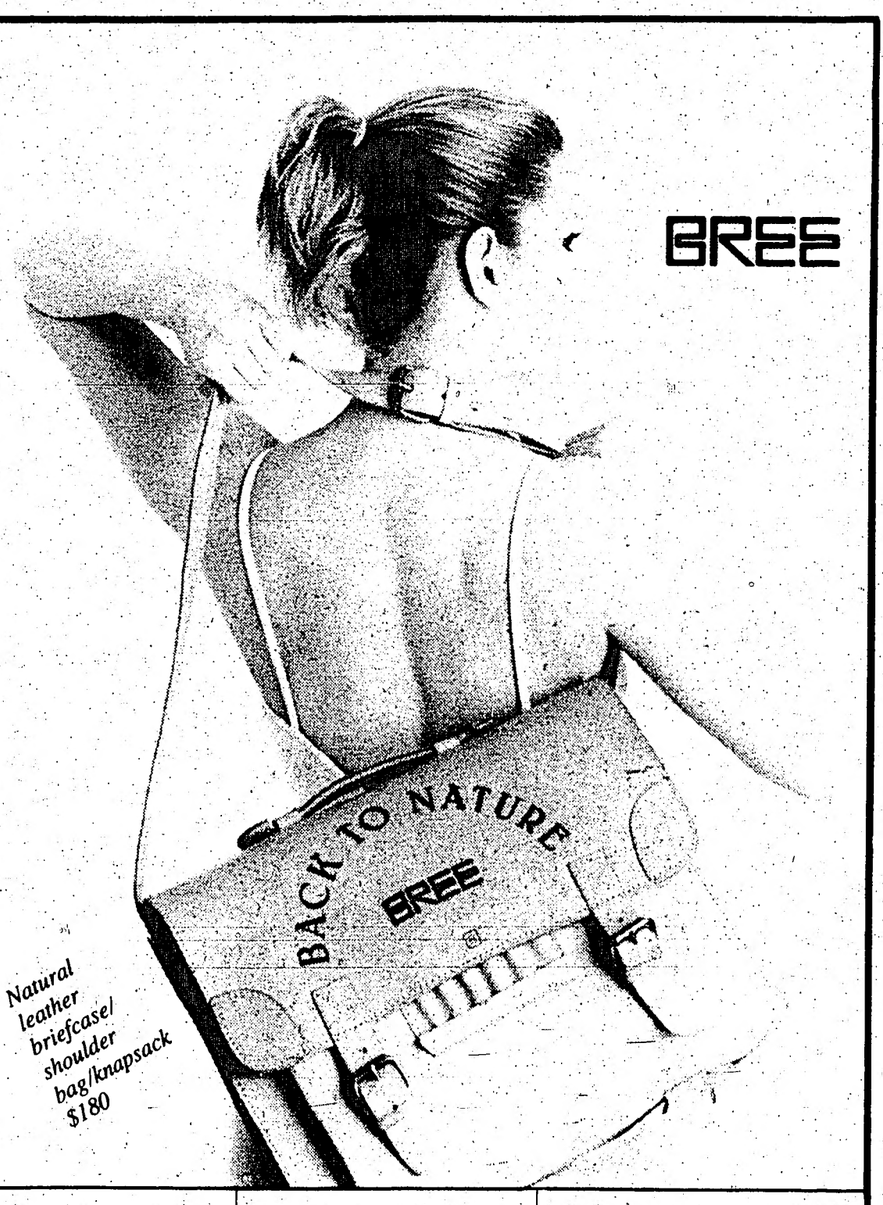
1. Use a moisturizer suitable to your skin type — if oily use a liquid, if dry use a richly formulated cream.
2. Choose blush that is in the pink or red family that will help create that natural healthy glow.
3. Dust your entire face with translucent powder, this will set your makeup and keep it on for a longer period of time.
4. Use natural soft tones of shadow highlighted with electric colors.
5. Pluck and brush brows to make them neat and balanced.
6. Use a lip pencil to add definition and allow your lipstick to go on evenly.
7. Choose a lipstick in the same color family as the pencil.
8. Use shimmer colors such as silver or gold to tone down and glisten lipstick.

DON'T:

1. Use a foundation too dark for your skin tone. You will look very odd with your neck and face two different colours.
2. Use under eye cover cream that is too oily. Your eye makeup will run.
3. Use electric color eye shadow over your whole eyelid.
4. Use white to highlight the brow bone but rather a soft peach or pink.
5. Use colorful mascara. Only black or dark brown (no one ever had teal-blue eyelashes).
6. Use a very light lipstick when using a dark lip pencil.
7. Use brown pencil on your lips — it's just ugly.
8. Use lipgloss; it will make your lipstick run.

RACCOON JACKET

A raccoon bomber jacket trimmed with silver fox is currently being featured by Norman Rogul Fur Co. Ltd. of Toronto. A great Chunukah gift for her!



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Elizabeth Kay

Italian designers lead way

Return of the feminine look pleases boutique owner

By FRANK RASKY —

TORONTO —

Thank heavens, says Jack Kahwati, high fashion designers in Italy have kicked out the mannish look and extended a welcome ciao to the feminine look.

"I'm jumping with joy at the return to classic femininity," he was saying last week. "A woman can now look like a woman again. For too long this year they've been looking like scarecrows stuck inside a collapsed parachute."

Jack Kahwati, 45, and his Toronto dress designer wife, Elizabeth, recently returned from one of their twice-annual buying trips to the fashion shows in Italy.

They brought back with them the latest in high-fashion women's wear for their two Elizabeth Kay Fashions boutiques — one located at 49 Avenue Rd. (964-1020) and the other in College Park at 444 Yonge (597-1328).

"Bad boy of French fashion"

Both stores carry Italian-designed lines, many of them exclusive for the Kahwatis in Canada.

The College Park store, which they've owned for four years, specializes in everyday wear. "It caters," says Kahwati," to career women who want to look smart, want to reflect a certain professionalism, and want to be comfortable in unstructured, reasonably priced, classic garments."

The Avenue Rd. shop, characterized by huge circular windows and hemispherical canopies, which they acquired two years ago, caters, he says, "to affluent women, 75% of them Jewish, and all of them very knowledgeable about high fashion."

Perhaps their most prominent Italian designer is Paola Sanlorenzo of Turin, who is often mentioned in the same breath with Valentino. Typical of her current creations is a highly sophisticated outfit consisting of silk and satin pants at $390 and a camesole of silk and satin ornamented with sequins selling for $425.

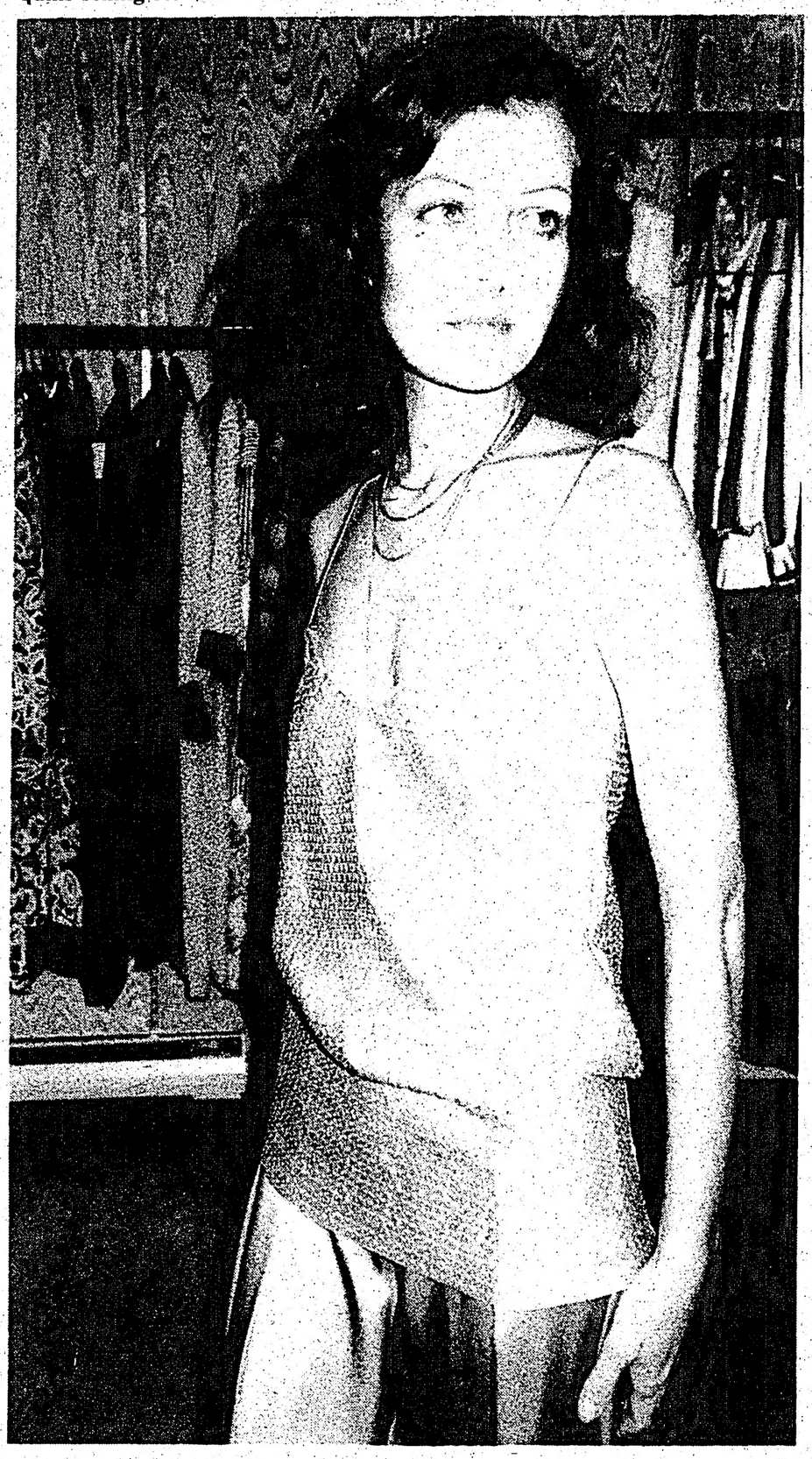
Regina Shrecker of Florence, is known for her intricately detailed sweaters and skirts. Outstanding is a $650 black all-wool blouse she designed, featuring long stripes of green, yellow and red, which scatter into an elegant semi-plaid in the skirt. She also created a $1,100 mohair sweater with a jaguar emblazoned on the front, surrounded by a jungle of silk appliques.

Helyett of Milan is distinguished for her coordinated sportswear and silk and wool daywear dresses, from $300 to $800.

One of their sexiest designers is Thierry Mugler, nicknamed the "bad boy of French fashion" because of his controversial designs, which are manufactured in Italy. "Some love him, some hate him, but his fashion shows always draw the largest crowds," says Kahwati. Mugler evening gowns and jump suits sell for $520 to $650.

"By traveling to Italian trade fairs, we find smaller companies whose creations sometimes surpass the designs by the bigger houses," says Kahwati. "But they can't afford to advertise, and so we seek them out."

On the basis of what he has seen, he foresees these trends for next spring and summer: "A lot of bright colors, especially royal blue, jade-green, and orangey gold, and silks and linens designed in very sexy, suave and sophisticated lines."



Sanlorenzo of Italy designed this silk and satin outfit (pants $390, camisole $425) available at Elizabeth Kay Fashions.

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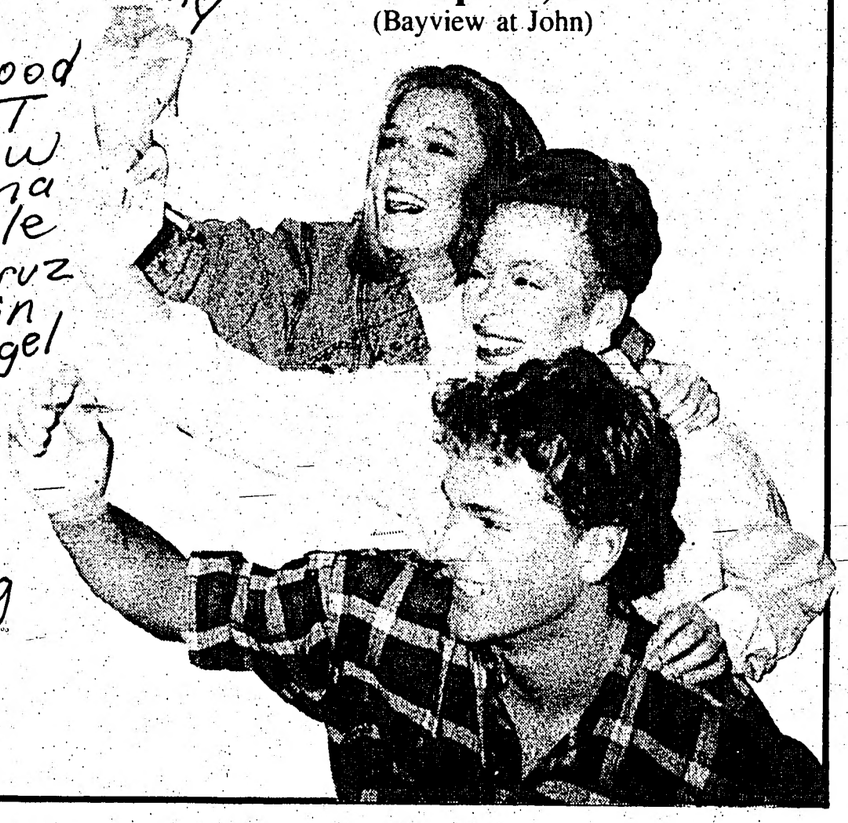

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Just For You – Gifts

18th anniversary of Judaica shop

Unique religious articles from Israel prove popular

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

One day recently a woman walked into Miriam's Judaica Gift Gallery and noticed that the proprietress, Miriam Rosenthal, had the number A17792 tattooed on her left arm.

The A signified that she'd been a prisoner of the Nazis at notorious Auschwitz.

The woman asked, "Did they hold you prisoner there in Camp C?"

"Yes," replied Miriam Rosenthal. "Why do you ask?"

The woman answered by rolling up her sleeve. She pointed to the number A17793 etched on her left arm.

"It meant she'd been standing next to me in line when we were tattooed in Auschwitz," recalls Miriam Rosenthal. "Now we were meeting again 40 years later, almost to the day, in my store. We hugged each other and wept."

Dates are meaningful to Miriam Rosenthal, a tall, slim and radiantly sunny woman in her 60s, originally from Komorno in Czechoslovakia.

This Chanukah marks the 18th, or chai year, since she and her scholarly, Hungarian-born husband, William, started their Judaica gift shop at 3007 Bathurst St. near Lawrence (781-8261).

Both refugees of the Holocaust, the couple launched the store on the first day of Chanukah after an odyssey that took them from Hitler's Europe to Cuba, Paris, New York, Timmins and ultimately to Sudbury.

They spent 16 years in Sudbury, where her husband was the cheder teacher for the children of about 120 Jewish families and she organized the synagogue auxiliary and helped run the Hadassah.

They moved to Toronto, so that their children, Lilian and Murray, could associate with a larger number of Jewish friends.

"I remember," says Miriam, "how on the first day we opened our Judaica shop, at the corner of Bathurst and Caribou, a lady came in and said, 'I really don't need anything, but I always go into a new store to wish them good luck.' "

Miriam says they've had lots of good mazel since then. "We've served customers from across Canada and from Alaska to Ethiopia," she says. "They know if they want a Jewish gift that's unique, they'll always find it at Miriam's."

She imports most of her religious items from Israel. Tefillen range from $120 to $350, Passover seder saucers from $15 to $250, menorahs from $2 to $575 for those fashioned from sterling silver.

Miriam and William Rosenthal.

She features the handicraft of Israeli artist Arkish, whose handblown glass menorahs range in price from $145 to $275.

Tallisim range from $35 up to $200 for a hand-woven, pure wool tallis. Candlesticks go for $75 for a brass pair to $1,300 for a pair made of sterling silver.

Popular with the children are Israeli educational play blocks of a variety of shapes and forms called Brainy Blocks at $9.95. A game of Scrabble, with the letters in Hebrew, sell for $18.

Current bestsellers are kiddush goblets of sterling silver, from $25 to $450, which grandparents traditionally give to a newly born grandchild. They can pay 30 cents per letter, says Miriam, to have engraved on the goblet in Hebrew the name of the child, date of its birth, and the inscription, "From bubba and zayde with love."

What's the secret of Miriam's success?

"People love us and trust us," she says. "They know we love listening to the happy or sad story that goes along with each gift purchase. And we always thank them for their patronage, which has helped us reach this simcha."

Pyramid-shaped clock's "voice" announces time

TORONTO —

For $99.50, you can buy a tall, pyramid-shaped clock that talks made by the Seiko people of Japan. You press a button and a sweet geisha-girl voice announces: "The time is now. . . ."

Or for $575 to $685, you can buy a sporty black-and-red watch that doesn't utter a peep but is made by the Italian Ferrari people who produce those swanky cars.

They're just two of the elegant gifts for Chanukah that Reesa Koskie is selling at the Jewels of Nature gift shop in Forest Hill Village, at 402 Spadina Rd. (484-6100), which is currently celebrating its 6th birthday.

Reesa, a 23-year-old University of Toronto music graduate, has taken over management of the shop from her mother, Joan Aronoff, and is maintaining its exquisite ambience of walls of silk, with paintings by the likes of Harold Town.

She describes her merchandise as "special gifts for very special people."

Some of the fancy wares include: a crocodile purse from Italy at $1,600; a champagne bucket of baccarat crystal at $2,300; an antique silver tea set for about $6,000.

Popular with the kids is a wooden jigsaw puzzle handicrafted by Mazooma of Toronto which sells at $25 to $35.

Fashion festival planned

TORONTO —

The Canadian fashion industry will kick up its heels and flaunt its wares at the 5-day Festival of Canadian Fashion which will be held April 24 to 28 in 1985 at the Metro Convention Centre.

Director Steven Levy, impresario of the annual Canadian Craft Shows, says the fashion festival will feature more than 50 designers from across Canada, including Toronto's Wayne Clark and Alfred Sung, and 22 spectacular fashion shows.

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TORONTO —

Owner Philip Gordon insists the outfits designed by 15 virtually unknown Toronto and Montreal designers he sells at Virtually Unknown are neither outrageous, outlandish, freakish or bizarre.

"They're simply unusual," says the 25-year-old Seneca College design graduate.

And though the young designers may be virtually unknown today, Gordon confidently predicts, "They're destined to be widely known tomorrow."

Gordon includes himself among the virtually unknowns he features at his sophisticatedly unconventional fashion boutique, he opened six months ago at 134 Yorkville Ave. (960-8862).

It's a shop that would look quite at home in the more offbeat Queen St. W. strip.

His regular customers — a good many of them Jewish students, professionals and models aged from 18 to 45 — drop in to pat Gordon's pair of pure-bred Persian cats, who are appropriately named Virtually and Unknown.

And in a decor that's clinical all-white, so that they can focus on the clothes, his clients then try on his medley of unusual designs.

"I look for garments that are affordable, comfortable and practical, as well as smartly fashionable," he insists.

His most expensive item is a $700 cotton bomber jacket with black leather backpack and breast pockets designed by Steven Schacht of Toronto. Least costly are perky leather and suede caps selling at $30.

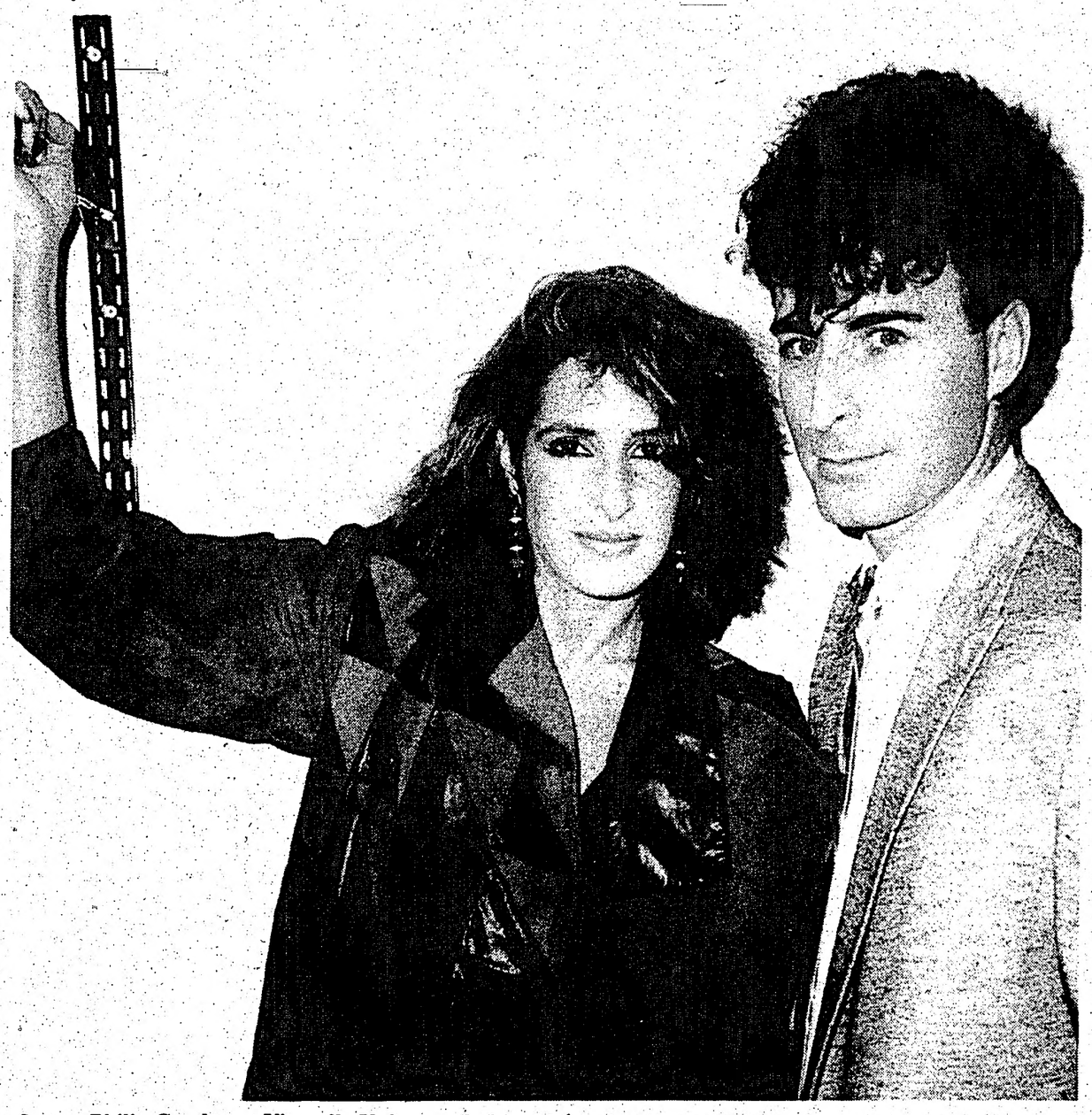
Extremely popular are Ron Dort's Gang of Four oversized check coats of wool at $320; Ellen Chow's long, slimlined, backbutton skirts at $125; Heather Rigby's textured leather airforce helmets at $105; and Zule Lulu's drop leopard spotted fur earrings at $60.

Also selling well are Loucas of Toronto's streamlined suede skirts with flared bottom at $225 and Gilbert of Montreal's cotton tops at $57.

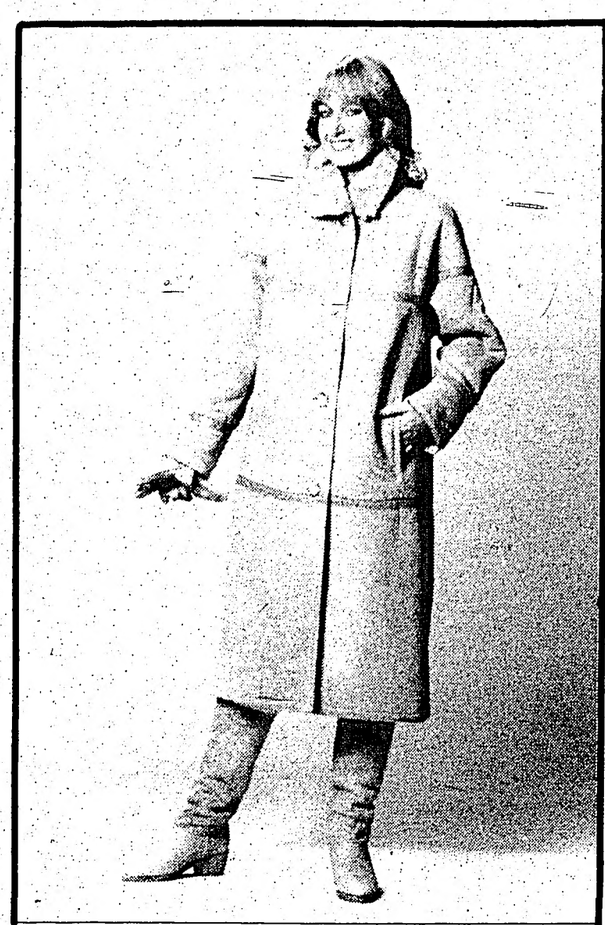
"My winter bestsellers," he says, "are oversized coats that give the wearer more freedom and characterized by a layered effect that makes a bold statement. The trend this season is toward vivid colors — oranges, reds and electric blues."

Gordon is trying to find time to design his own line for next spring, highlighting lightweight cotton shirts, tops and jumpers of "simple styling, designed for daily use," whether for business or going out on the town.

"But finding time is difficult, because, thank heavens, we've been very busy," he says. "Toronto's top models and its young beautiful people are finding their way here. If this keeps up, I'll have to change the name of the boutique to Widely Known."



Owner Philip Gordon at Virtually Unknown fashion shop with model. She's wearing a $600 red suede outfit with black leather inserting designed by Gabriella Tosolin.



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LOS ANGELES —

An overwhelming majority of teenage girls say they would rather dress differently than "blend in with the group," according to a fashion survey by Teen Magazine.

Seventy-one percent of the 500 randomly selected respondents — mostly teenage girls 13 to 17 — said they preferred to be "slightly different" in their dress.

Seven percent of the respondents said they would rather be "very different," and 22% said they would rather conform to their peers.

More than 97% reported buying or choosing their own clothes.

Fashion was the top priority in selecting clothes, according to the survey, followed by fit and practicality. Pastels and bright colors were heavily favored over neutrals and darks in the magazine's sampling.

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Jewish disasters remembered in breaking glass at wedding

By
EVELYN HOFFMAN
& MYRA FELDMAN

Q. What is the reason for breaking a glass at the conclusion of a Jewish wedding ceremony? Is it a sign of good luck? As a bridegroom I would like to know.

A. Most people think that breaking the glass is a sign of good luck. It is not.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, the bridegroom steps on a glass (sometimes a light bulb is used) usually wrapped in a napkin. This act is intended to temper the joy of the occasion by reminding those present of the destruction of the temples in Jerusalem and of other calamities that befell the Jewish people throughout our history.

This is one of the many traditions passed on from generation to generation.

Since the religious part of the ceremony is a high point of a Jewish wedding, it isn't until the glass is broken that you will hear shouts of congratulations or mazel tov.

Q. I don't have a sister and the groom doesn't have a sister. What do I do about a maid-of-honor? If I select one of my friends I will hurt the others. Do I really need one?

A. If it is a difficult choice, and you will hurt your friends by selecting one, we would suggest having your mother fill in as a matron-of-honor, as well as escorting you down the aisle.

A girl's best friend can be her mother, especially on her wedding day. She will already be near you under the canopy when you require some assistance from her — ie. lifting the veil so you can drink the wine; holding the flowers, when the bridegroom puts the ring on your fingers; and any other little services that may come along.

A. I have converted to Judaism and I am getting married. I want to know if I can invite my parents and my family to the wedding.

A. The information we received concerning this situation varies because there are differing views amongst the Orthodox, Conservative and Reform segments of our society.

Yes, you may invite your non-Jewish family and friends to your wedding, but they cannot actively participate in any religious aspects of the wedding.

Since you did not elaborate on where you are getting married or who is marrying you, we strongly suggest that you and your bride discuss this with your officiating rabbi.

Q. My best friend is getting married and he asked me to be master of ceremonies. What are my duties?

A. Our definition of a master of ceremonies is the person (or persons) in charge of directing the program during the wedding dinner.

The MC's duties should start by introducing the newlyweds when they enter the dining room, after the ceremony.

It is then customary to introduce the head table and welcome all the guests on behalf of the hosts.

Call on the person being honored to make the hamotzi (blessing of the bread) so the dinner can commence.

Later in the evening, it is a good idea to read the telegrams (if there any); introduce the speaker and those toasting the couple. You may be asked to announce the cutting of the wedding cake and the bridal dance.

At the conclusion of the meal, call on those participating in "grace after meals" (birkat hamazon) and the wedding blessings (seven sheva brochat).

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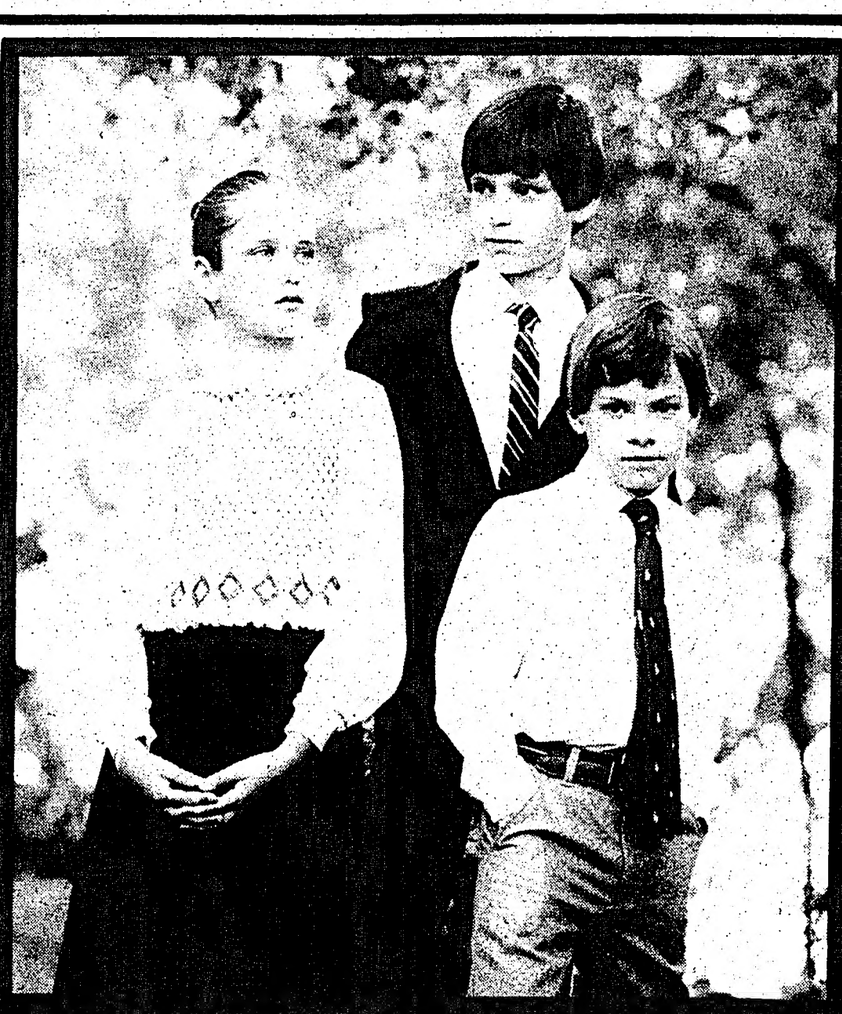

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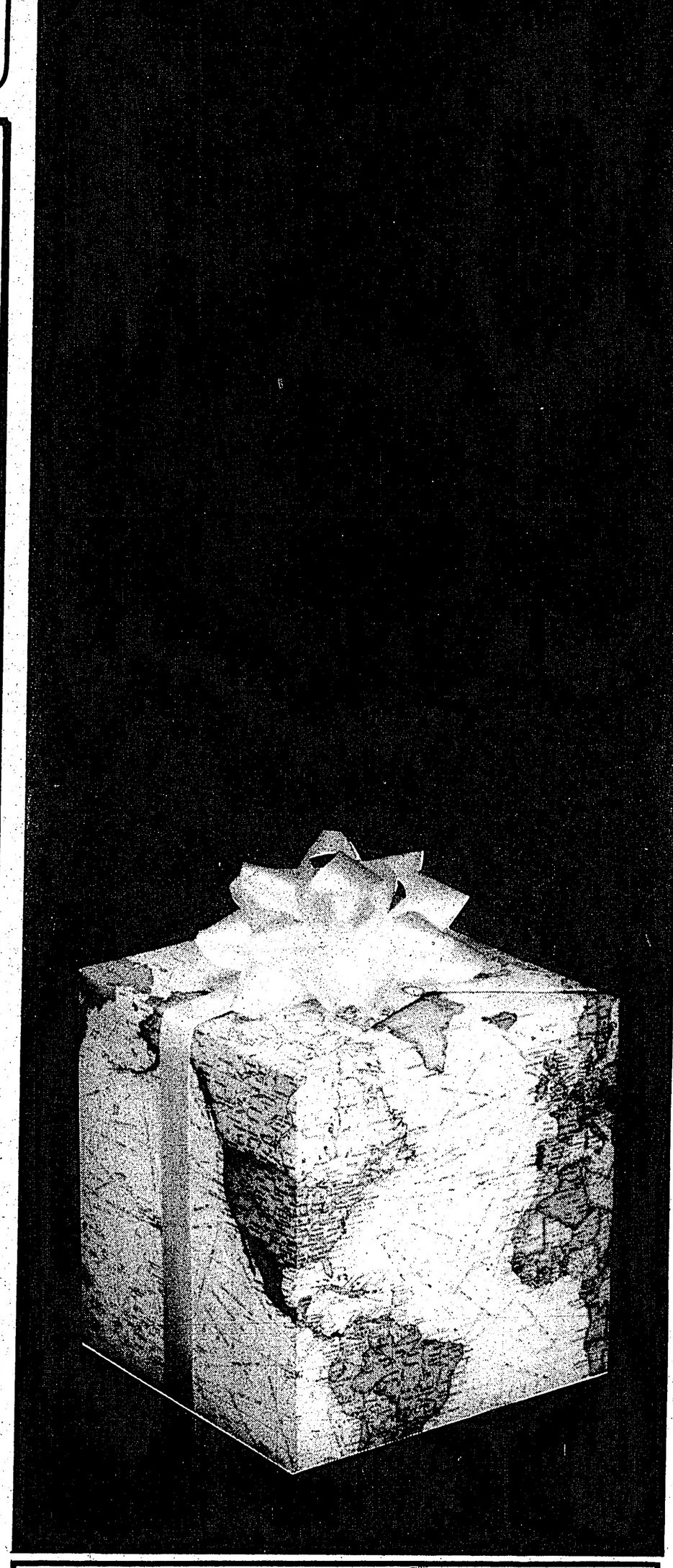

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Tests players' ethical standards

Moral dilemmas board game could make prof rich

By
FRANK RASKY

WINNIPEG — You may recall Henry Makow as the 11-year-old Jewish whiz kid of the 1960s who wrote an advice-to-parents column called Ask Henry, which was syndicated to 38 North American newspapers that included the Toronto Telegram and the Montréal Gazette.

Well, 34-year-old Henry, after working as a copy editor for the Jerusalem Post and English professor at the University of Winnipeg, is still answering questions these days.

But he's answering them in the form of a $17.95 game that recently went on sale at Sears' and Birks' stores across Canada and which he thinks will make a great Chanukah gift.

It's called A Question of Scruples, and he's gambling $35,000 on the likelihood that his baby boom-generation peers will have fun testing their ethical standards in the 245 questions that he poses in the game.

Here are a few of the moral dilemmas you are asked to grapple with:

• You give your sweetheart an expensive gift and you break up the relationship a month later. Do you ask for it back?

• You are buying a house from a naive old lady. She is asking a ridiculously low price. Do you tell her?

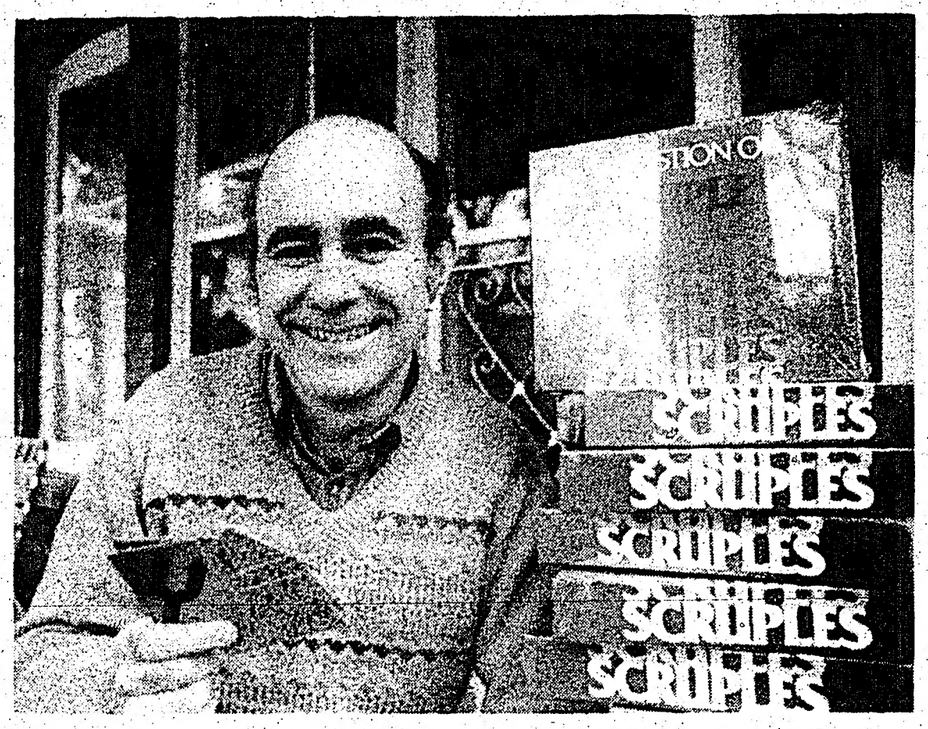
• You have invited a friend who is a strict vegetarian to dinner. You feel proud of the bean stew you've prepared until you recall you used a beef stock. Do you serve the dish without informing your friend?

Henry got the idea from an article he planned to write on baby boomers. He was struck by the fact that his friends — socially conscious young professionals involved in disarmament and other causes — would not, for example, repay their student loan if the bank lost track of it.

He developed a questionnaire which posed similar moral dilemmas. People had so much fun comparing their answers that Henry and his wife, Esther, a professor of social work, spent all summer developing the project into a commercial game.

The possibility of making a fortune from a Question of Scruples does not pose a moral dilemma to Makow.

"I'd make a very likeable rich man," answers Henry when you ask him.



Henry Makow challenges your Scruples.

Peretz's stories retold appeal to young readers

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Books young readers will enjoy. . . .

I. L. Peretz is one of the giants of Yiddish literature, but his language is such that children find him rather inaccessible. Esther Hautzig has done stellar work in retelling his stories. The Seven Good Years (The Jewish Publication Society of America, $10.95) contains nine of his tales, including The Match and Peace at Homes. Children 8 and older will warm up to The Seven Good Years.

Fitzhenry and Whiteside has brought out several new titles, ranging in taste and price.

Good night Moon Room ($12.95) is an expertly-crafted pop-up book that is bound to delight your tot as you read to him. Bruno The Pretzel Man ($10.95), for readers in grades 2 to 5, is about overstretched ambition. Edward Davis' story, supplemented with fine illustrations by Marc Simont, is certainly endearing.

Montreal Adventure ($4.95), which caters to a similar age group, is both informative and educational.

For kids grades 3 to 6, the Night of the Twisters ($16.50) is a treat. Ivy Ruckman creates more than enough tension with her story of two boys and an infant trying to survive in a house hit by a tornado.

Good-bye, Glamour Girl ($17.95) revolves around Liesl Rosen, the daughter of Viennese Jews who've settled in Manhattan during World War II. Liesl wants to be a famous actress, just like Rita Hayworth, but Billy Laramie gets in the way. . . . Erika Tamar's novel is suitable for readers 10 and up.

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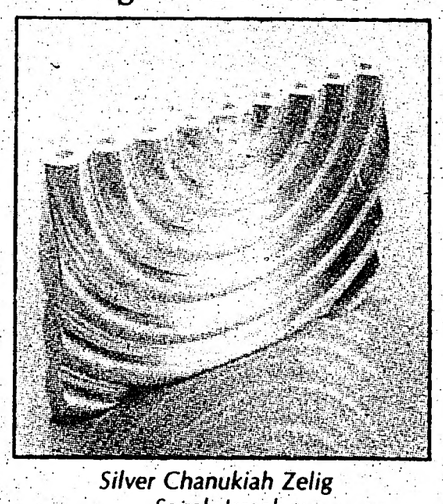

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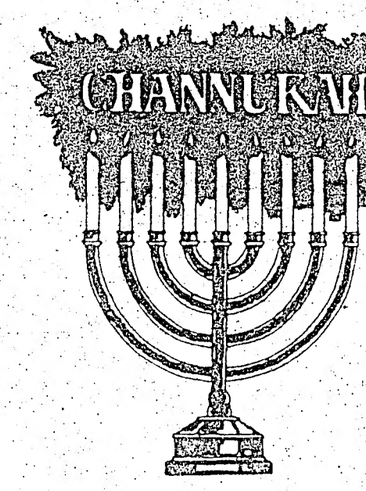

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Vladimir Wolff, head of Wolff of Canada, working on a sheepskin garment.

TORONTO —

Vladimir Wolff says, "I'm a Wolff in sheep's clothing," and then he laughs heartily.

He laughs because he enjoys his own jokes and he laughs because he enjoys his business so much.

He's president of Wolff of Canada, an 8,000-square-foot factory at 68 Broadview Ave., just south of Queen (461-4650), now celebrating its ninth anniversary.

He manufactures garments, predominantly of sheepskin but also of leather and fur, which he wholesales nationally but sells to Toronto customers at factory prices.

A fine Spanish curly lamb toscano coat can be had for $325 or a high fashion English sheepskin coat with leather trim for $470 — almost half the price, he claims, you might pay elsewhere.

A sheepskin hat sells for $40. Motorcycle jackets made of Argentine cow hide range from $99 up and high-fashion leather pants $140 and up.

He's a jovial redhead of 47 ("with a little Jewish belly," he says) who was born Vladimir Kzenzovsky in Odessa, Russia.

When he moved to Canada 11 years ago, he says, the immigration officials gave up in disgust trying to spell his family name and simply put it as Wolff.

He learned English at George Brown College, learned tailoring at Syd Silver's Formal Wear on Yonge, started his own tailor shop, then switched to sheepskin coats.

Why? "Canadian tailored sheepskins are known around the world," he says. "And, or course, in our climate, you need one."

He's made sheepskin jackets for Lorne Greene and other showbiz celebrities, and he's a painstaking craftsman who works up to 13 hours a day, working at the bench beside his staff of 21 workmen.

"I love the smell of sheepskin and all kinds of leather," he says. "And I love the freedom of Canada. In Russia, there was only one synagogue allowed per city. Here a Jew can rejoice in being free."

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TORONTO —

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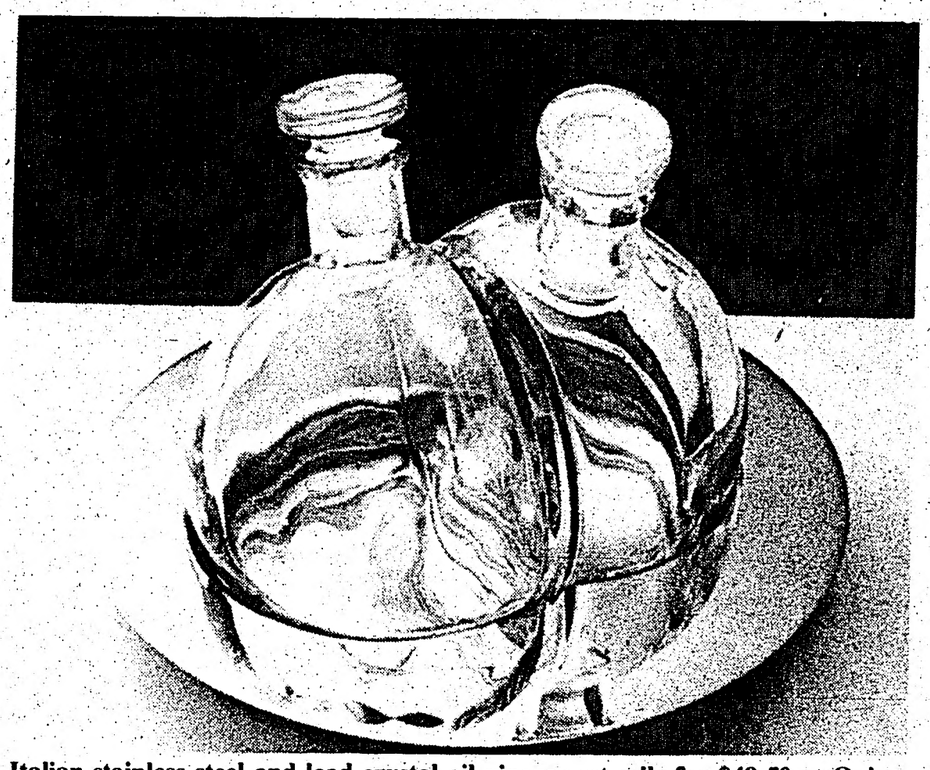
They're among the tableware and housewear gifts imported from Italy and the Orient you'll find at the Quintessence shop at 1657 Bayview Ave., two blocks south of Eglinton (482-1252), which Po Ku and his wife, Georgiana, opened last September.

He's a Hong Kong-born former architect of 34, who operates a similar gift shop in Edmonton.

The costliest art piece in his Toronto shop is a $1,250 bronze replica of a Chinese imperial lantern of the kind used in the Han dynasty 2,000 years ago. It bears the shape of a young maiden holding up a lamp and candles may be lit inside it.

"A gift indeed," says Po Ku, "for the housewife who has everything."



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Unexpected cuts give charm to bareness

Look for supremely sexy trend in beachwear for 85

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO –

Memo to sun worshippers who would like to keep in the fashion swim while holidaying this winter in Florida, Israel and other resort spots:

You can expect beachwear generally to be sassy, streamlined, exotic and supremely sexy.

Print themes will feature African jungle, Mexican Aztec and Oriental designs.

In keeping with the physical fitness trend, the styling of swimwear will enable women to reveal their trim and shapely charms. Scanty bikinis reminiscent of the 1950s will be in vogue, and even the conservative swimsuits will expose more back, and leg lines will rise daringly high on the thigh.

Colors will be primary, accenting bright blues, pinks and turquoise.

You have this on the authority of Don Paterson, marketing manager of Sea Queen, a Toronto-based Canadian leader in the resort and swimwear manufacture field for the past three decades.

"Our 1985 collections show you can say goodbye to anything smacking of the masculine," he told The CJN. "They're ultra-shapely and feminine, enough to lift the spirits and beguile the eye."

He says the most striking trend is toward prints of elegant tropical florals and unexpected cuts that give charm to bareness.

Many pieces are dual purpose, he says. Among them are a convertible swimsuit that can be worn as a maillot or bikini; the pant that can be a pareo; a dress that becomes a float; a top that can be a short cover; a skirt that becomes a dress.

Bow, button and metal clasp details accent hiplines.

Generally, supple nylon spandex, poly-cotton spandex and textured surface fabrics cling and move with the body for utmost freedom.

Designers, he says, have given much thought to every figure type, with a wide range of cup styles, gentle underwire that mould, shape and control, and some very pretty mastectomy suits.

Prices for solid color swimsuits range from $35 to $50; for print swimsuits $48 to $65; beachwear of shorts, tops, jackets and pants from $15 to $125.

"On resort beaches," he predicts, "men this winter can expect a feast for the eye."

African jungle styling is featured in these Sea Queen "animal-stripe" beach prints. The bandeau bikini under the $75 skirt dress sells for $40 and the bandeau maillot for $55.

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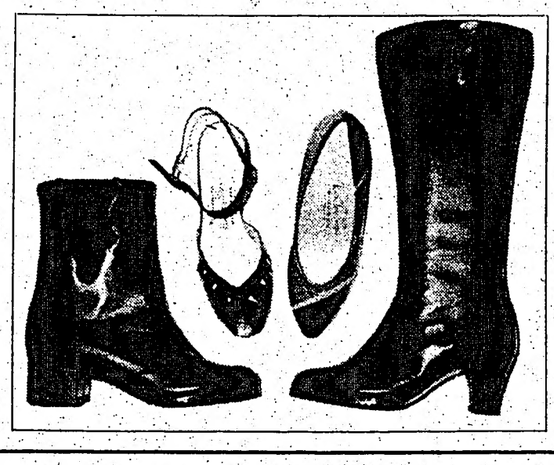

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Just For You — Gifts

Boutique specializes in items for left-handed needs

By
SHERYL HALPERN

MONTREAL —
In a right-handed world, lefties often feel left behind. Doors open the wrong way, scissors and knives cut the wrong way, and writing is a smudgy affair.

But now there's a boutique catering to left-handed needs — and open in time for the Chanukah gift season, too.

Sheila Bloom, an Israeli-born "rightie," opened L'Aut'Main (The Other Hand) after watching her teenage son, a leftie, get frustrated by right-handed gadgets. She stocks left-handed versions of everyday right-handed items.

There are three sizes and styles of left-handed notebooks — all with the ring binder on the right side, and opening from the left. There are "Left is Writer" pens, fast-drying black ink pens for smudge-proof writing. There are left-handed rules (the markings go to the left), playing cards, and calligraphy pens.

Scissors are number one on the lefties wanted list, she says — and she has children's scissors, cuticle scissors, barber's scissors, dressmaker's shears and chicken-bone cutters.

There are plenty of left-handed knives, too — with the serrated edge on the left, not the right.

Kitchen utensils include soup ladles, jugs and skillets with pour-spouts on the right, left-handed potato peelers, spatulas, forks, cake-servers, flour scoop-cum-scrapers, butter spreaders, can-openers and spoons.

There are left-handed gimmicks — mugs with sayings like "Lefties Are Always Right," "Left-Handed Genius," and "Lefties Make Better Lovers."

There are "Leftie" wooden paperweights, leftie stationery and cards, left-handed motif cookie cutters and soap-on-a-rope. Bumper stickers (Left On), licence plate frames ("I'm Special, I'm Left-Handed"), buttons, and a wardrobe of sweatshirts with leftie sayings ("Gauche Power," "Kiss Me, I'm Left-Handed") as well as caps.

Also, lucite bars for deskside inspiration . . . "Left is all right," "Left-Handed Genius." And a left-handed clock with numbers printed on backwards and clock hands that go backwards.

Gifts for leftie children? Why not a notebook or two, some pens, and a hobby — Left-Handed Knitting or Left-Handed Crochet. (Get Teaching Left-Handed Children for yourself.)

For left-handed ladies, scissors are great; and top of the list for kitchen utensils are soup ladles, peelers, can-openers, knives, egg-beaters, spatulas.

For left-handed men, try bottle-openers, a knife or two, and a leather key-holder with the snap and key-rings in left-handed style.

Bloom's left-handed corner is very international. Her left-handed goods come from England, France, Italy, Denmark, Switzerland — everywhere but Canada.

She bemoans the lack of Canadian left-handed products: "I've been trying to find a left-handed pencil-sharpener — I'm going to have to have them made in the United States."

The cost of importing is what makes the items a little more expensive than their right-handed counterparts ("a few dollars more") but, she adds, most are meant to last for years.

Her boutique, featured on a recent Montreal television show, is tucked away in her stationery store, The Emporium, in the Town of Mount Royal Shopping Centre. It's on the left-hand side as you go in — naturally. Bring a left-out left-hander with you — or treat a few lefties to some unique gifts.

For more information, call 733-7332, or visit L'Aut'Main at 2326 Lucerne Rd.

Rightie Sheila Bloom with some of the left-handed items in her L'Aut'Main Boutique. [Howard Kay photo]

Headbands popular on fashion scene

TORONTO (STYLE) —
Polycotton headbands, which can be tied around the thigh or knee as well as the head, are becoming the rage on the Canadian fashion scene.

Allied to the teen vogue for breakdancing, the cotton strips come in 12 flamboyant printed designs, retail for about $2.99 at Sears' and Eatons' stores across Canada, and are being manufactured as Bodybands by Tony Durnett and Nick Mournat of Canadian Sales in Toronto.

The pair of salvage businessmen adapted the idea from a successful headband manufacturing operation in Columbus, Ohio.

Says one buyer: "I think the product is going into next year. Whether it will last beyond that — we'll see I don't think it's a 1-month wonder. If breakdancing ends tomorrow, I don't think it will stop selling.

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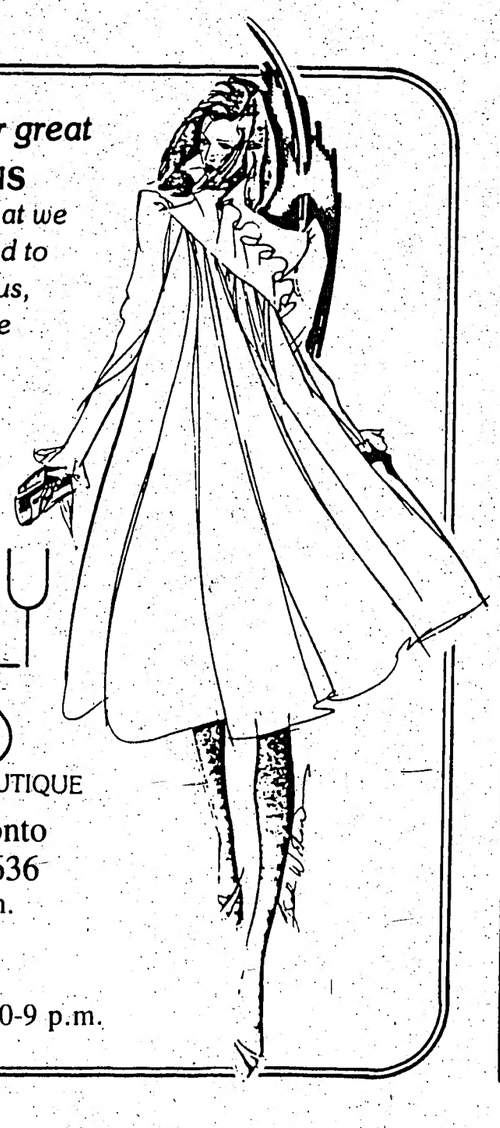

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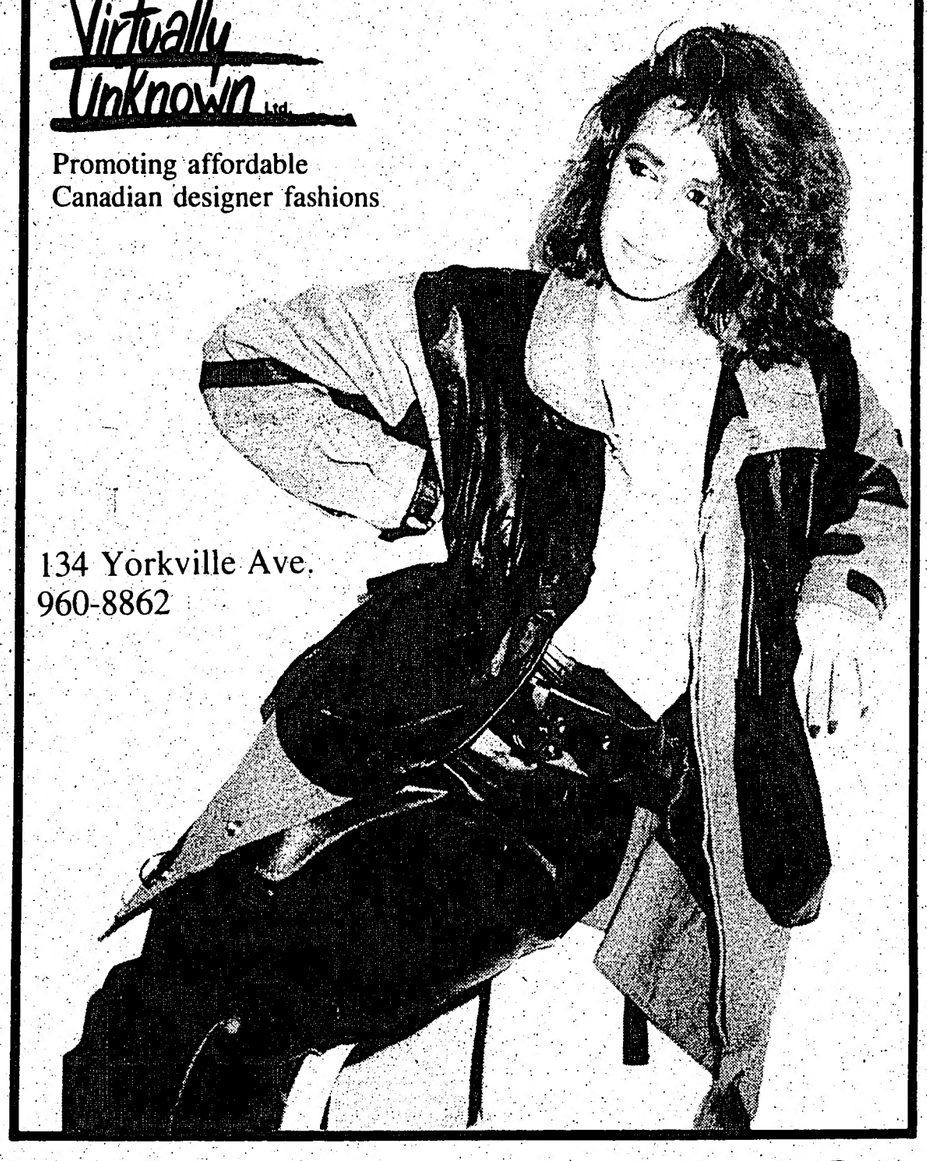

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Rhinestones everywhere

Accessories will feature lots of glitz

NEW YORK (STYLE)

Accessories will be bigger and bolder for spring of 1985.

In a nostalgic return to the 1920s and 1940s, the trend will be toward rhinestones in unexpected places, on swimsuits and canvas shoes.

You can expect to see glitz everywhere — on belts, berets and scarves.

These trends were evident in displays by 500 exhibitors at the recent Fashion Accessories Expo (FAE) here, which was attended by 7,000 specialty shop buyers.

"Accessories follow the ready-to-wear," says Reenie Brown, publisher of Accessories Magazine, which sponsors FAE.

"We're going to see an array of new looks. A schoolboy look, a British prep school takeoff, will be popular for holiday and spring."

Brown adds. "Then, as the season continues, ethnic will come in — a sort of Carmen look, with an array of new reds against black, lacy accents, darker tapestry prints and other gypsy influences."

Perhaps the primary direction for fashion is a strengthening of the long and lean silhouette, with a return of kickpleat skirts (remember the kicky 20s?) and the cinched-waist circle skirt of the 40s.

To go with this leanness, there's a re-emphasis of the skinny belt which also works with the menswear trend.

At the same time, fabrics of smooth natural fibres are turning nubby, woven and crinkled. Footwear, handbags and belts take on the textured look..

In jewelry, big rhinestones, enamel and glass finish off holiday wear. In spring, the look expands to include frosted glass, acrylics and crystal.

For instance, Florida designer Renee Tulpere pairs squared-off crystal with box-shaped earrings, pins and cuffs.

And, says Sarah Erskine and Montagu Don, the extra-big crystal jewelry they create in their London, England studio has been snapped up by Boy George and Liz Taylor.

Trends in other areas included: Hats and headwear with a lot of lace bows and classic hairbands; head wraps with the far eastern look and Italian naval caps for the nautical look; and in footwear — straps, flats and espadrilles competed with mesh and cotton ankle boots.

Gloves seen to be shrinking. Literally. Next year it's the shortie — gloves minus the second digits of fingers — in lace and mesh in a variety of pastels.

In handbags, the lunch box or school bag will be popular. The customer who is more conservative or who prefers the long, lean look will probably opt for the north-south shapes with longer shoulder straps. For casual use, the carpet bag and drawstring duffles should be selling.

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Lessons for all levels

Skier loves teaching children

By CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Mitch Gorski has been skiing since he could walk.

Now, at 27, Gorski is director of a ski school aimed at teaching kids aged 7-16 the joy of downhill skiing.

On eight Saturdays beginning Jan. 12, Gorski and his instructors will pick up skiers as close as possible to their Toronto homes and bus them to Mount St. Louis, about 50 miles north of the city.

Lessons, limited to eight kids per instructor, are available in all levels of skiing, from those who have never been on skis to experts.

Gorski, a research consultant for Evans Research Corporation in Etobicoke, said that he started to teach skiing at age 15 in his home town of Montreal.

"I just love teaching kids. They are not afraid, they learn easily and they have a ball while they're at it," said Gorski enthusiastically.

He added that as well as lessons, skiers participate in various activities on the hill such as races and other games revolved around skiing. Once every season Gorski organizes a carnival day and a race day.

Although Gorski does not teach a group of students himself, he is available for private instruction.

"Sometimes kids get hung up on one particular area of skiing and one private lesson gets them over the hurdle. I am always there to help."

Gorski, who skis himself about 40-50 times a year, said that "it is heartwarming to see a child really getting into skiing.

"It's healthy, it's fun and it helps kids appreciate Canadian winters," he pointed out.

He added that with tow charges, transportation, supervision and a good time, his students — who only have to provide their own lunches — "are really getting a good deal."

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Wind-up toy store provides "hands-on happiness"

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

People break into a grin as soon as they step into The Last Wound-Up. They can't help themselves.

In the words of its merry-faced Jewish proprietress, Linda Wells: "We encourage adult kids to come in, drop their bags — and troubles — and spend the afternoon in hands-on happiness, just playing and unwinding."

Her store opened recently in a former shoe repair shop at 1013 Yonge St. and Crescent Rd. just off the Rosedale subway stop (926-8996).

It's an utterly charming place that specializes in selling more than 600 different kinds of wind-up toys that walk, waddle, wiggle, strut, romp, run, leap, hop, turn somersaults, and do other goofy things.

Prices range from $1.50 for a Greechi, a sci-fi Martian who gallumphs along like — well, um — a Martian gallumphs, to $24.95 for an 8-legged camel who sways and undulates like — well — any respectable 8-legged camel would.

For $6.50, you can buy a bluebird (complete with cage) that chirps and warbles like a troubadour.

There's a chicken that lays eggs which will set you back $24.95. And for an additional $12.95 you can buy a World's Best Chef who flips eggs up in a frying pan to make omelettes.

(The Chef is also a whiz at helping you make executive decisions, says Wells: You simply replace the omelette with a coin, and the chef will flip it up and make it land heads or tails.)

Linda Wells and Yussel the Clown at the Last Wound-Up toy shop.

Strolling bowling balls

A woodpecker comes cheap at $4.95. A suction pump that comes with it enables you to stick it on a door and it will knock furiously; or it will hammer away nicely if you want to call a meeting to order.

There are Cabbage Patch Kids galore. At $7.95, one will crawl along the floor like a baby; another, at $14.95, comes with a rocking horse and the Cabbage Patcher keeps rocking and rolling like a well-behaved Rolling Stone or unruly Michael Jackson.

A $6.95 black sheep baas along in wild and woolly fashion. Three penguins, at $19.95 for the trio, zip down a water slide looking like Liberaces. And there's a strolling bowling ball, selling for $14.95 complete with the bowling alley, which can be manipulated to knock down the pins in a very, very oddball way.

Wells also sells, at $6.95 to $300, an array of delightful antique music boxes, gramaphones and venerable metal-disc Reginaphones.

The prize of her collection is a pioneer juke box, 3 feet high and 2 feet wide, which sells for $5,000. The vintage wind-up box was made in 1880 by the Symphonium Co. in Liepzig, Germany, used to grace a beer cafe, and comes with eight discs and five Austrian pfennigs to make it work.

But her pride and joy is the toy she made herself. It's a Jack-in-the-box she calls Yussel the Payatz — Yiddish for clown. He wears a silly smile on his papiere mache face, stands in her shop window, and keeps deflating and inflating up to 6 feet tall, and operates via what Linda Wells calls her own secret machine.

You can buy a Jack-in-the-box like Yussel, at prices ranging from $650 to $850, custom made to resemble a living or historical personality.

Linda, the daughter of Toronto entrepreneur Bertram Wells, who is known in the Jewish community as a champion fund raiser for Israel Bonds, imports most of her wind-up toys from the Orient.

She thinks they'd make wonderful Chanukah gifts, and cliches her sales pitch with an ancient saying from the mystic East — or, at least, it sounds mystic:

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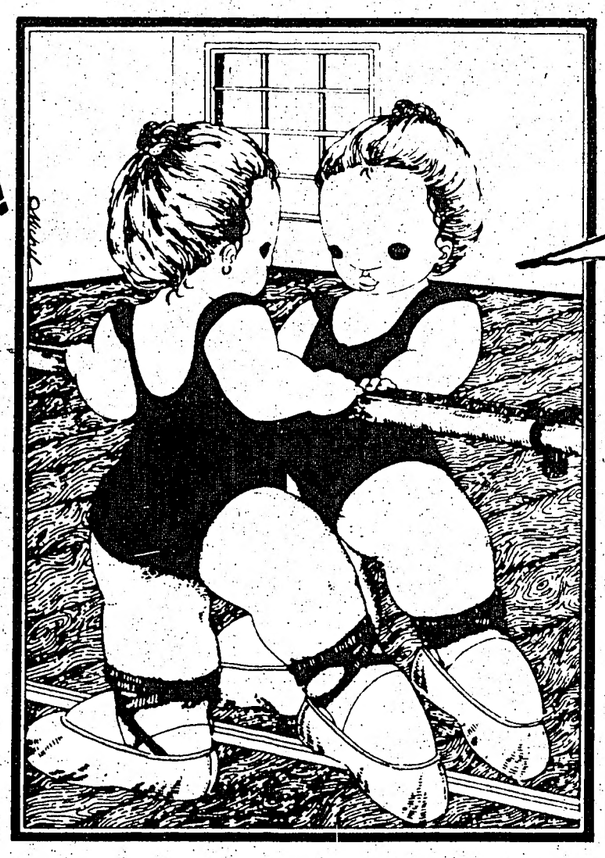

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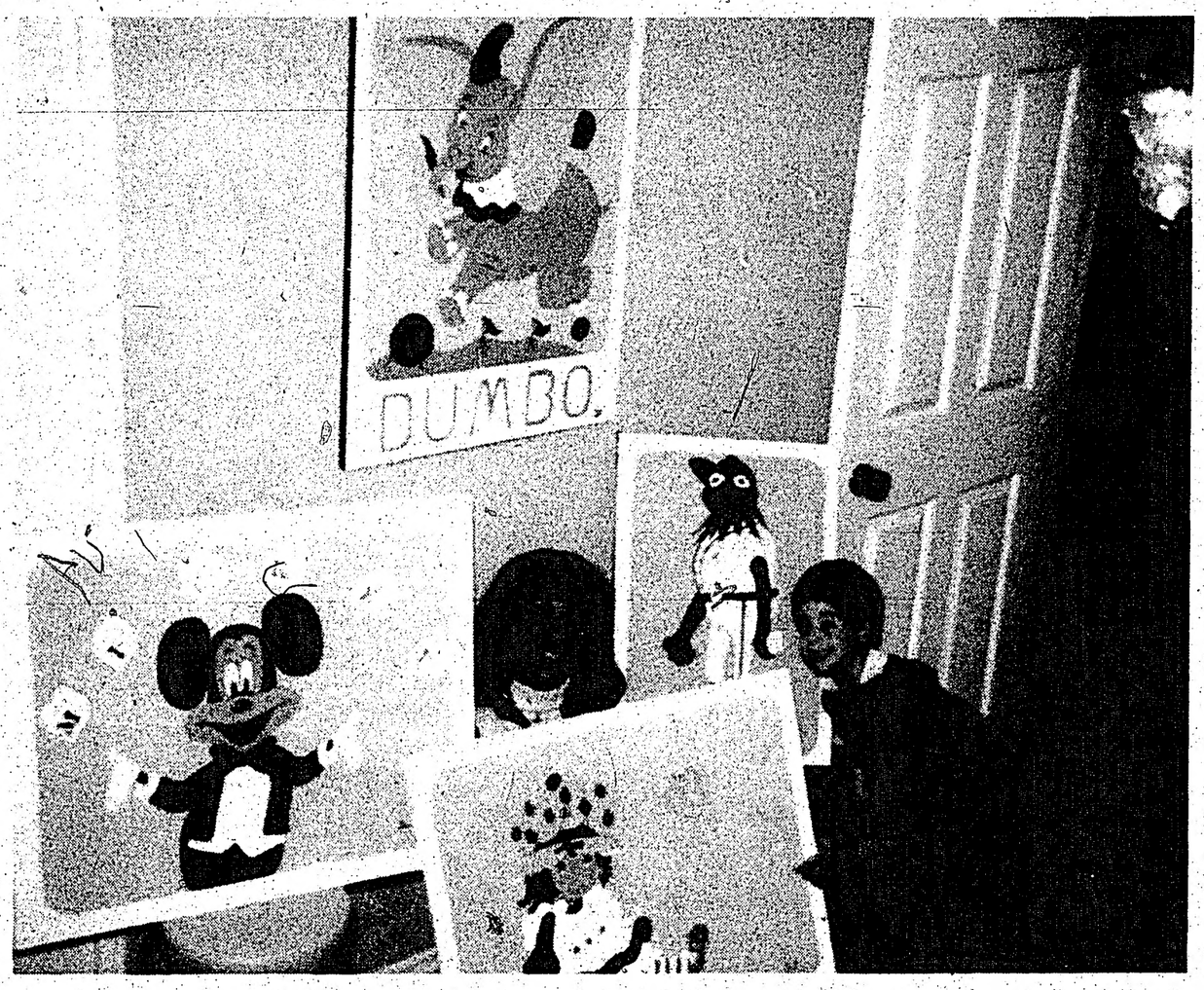

Simone Smith and her son Brandon with some of her animated cartoon paintings.

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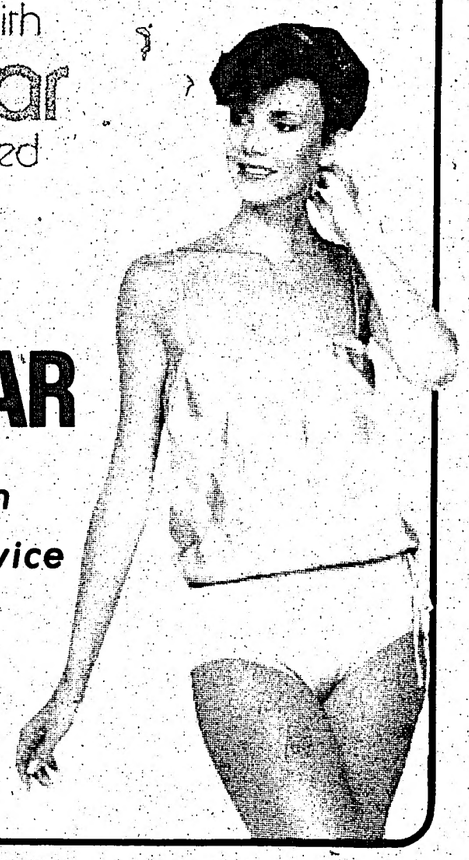

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Another asked for Dumbo the Elephant flying above a circus tent.

Still another wanted Mickey Mouse, spiffily clad in a tux and white gloves, juggling blocks that spelled out the boy's name.

Then there was the imaginative little girl who requested an animated slice of strawberry shortcake talking to a pink-and-green butterfly.

Simone Smith was glad to oblige. She's the 30-year-old Jewish mother of 4-year-old Brandon who recently invested a shoestring capital of $250 to start Animated Arts.

It's a home-based company (telephone 661-7646), which sells her original, customized, hand-painted pictures of a child's favorite cartoon character designed to match — and enhance — the decor of any kiddy's bedroom.

The total cost is $100 per canvas. For that, she provides an initial consultation to measure the moppet's room, decide on size, colors and the character requested — and she delivers the painting free as well.

Toronto-born Simone, the daughter of Sid and Lil Abel and wife of chartered accountant Ira Smith, active members of Adath Israel Synagogue, believes her commissioned canvases — usually 22 inches by 28 inches — will make an ideal Chanukah gift for your kids.

A former mathematics and theatre teacher, she got the idea for the project two years ago when they moved to a new house and she was determined to decorate her son's bedroom with something more original than stereotype wallpaper.

"I investigated toys and books and decided to paint original groupings on his bedroom walls," she says. "Brandon just loved having Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, Huey and Louie in his room larger than life. It got rave reviews from visiting friends and I started getting requests to do paintings for their kids' rooms, too."

Copies of her paintings are available for those who'd like to see samples at various Toronto stores, including Kiddies World of Furniture on Dufferin north of Finch, World of Picture Frames on Cartwright on Dufferin and Yorkdale, and Hidden Treasures on Queen St. in the Beaches area.

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Luxury health, beauty spa offers you total pampering

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Madame Alma Filion is the first to concede that some people have some wrong ideas about Filion's.

It's the 15-room, 22-staff, 6,000 square-foot health and beauty spa that she opened a year ago at a cost of $1 million on the mezzanine in the austere elegance of the King Edward Hotel (telephone 365-1433).

"They think we're too poshy-shoshy," she was saying last week in her inimitable Mexican accent. "And they think I'm some sort of unapproachable, fancy-shmancy duchess of cold cream."

She laughed. "Wrong. Wrong. As my Jewish clientele will tell you, they can confide to me like I was a Hadassah sister.

"And as for being too ritzy, I just dreamed up a slogan to overcome that image: 'At Filion's, you don't have to be a king or queen to get the royal treatment — and at a pauper's price, too!' Right? Right!"

Well, partly right.

There's no doubt that her luxuriantly furnished spa, with the Greek goddess statue greeting patrons at the entrance, does attract crowned bluebloods, such as the King and Queen of Spain.

It also draws the royalty of showbiz, such as Liza Minnelli and Lena Horne, Diane Keaton and Shirley MacLaine, and ballet stars from Rudy Nureyev to Karen Kain.

Prices for several of her 50 treatments are competitive.

You can get a 45-minute facial for $37.50.

And massage therapist Hugh Macpherson, a master of Swedish and Shiatsu techniques, can relieve the tensions in your head and shoulders with a wonderfully soothing massage for as little as $20.

Quite in line, too, is her head-to-toe pampering in a "dream day" package at the spa. In an ambience of banked flowers and soft music, you are treated to a skin analysis and facial, pedicure, manicure, hair shampoo, cut and styling, makeup application, 1-hour massage followed by a sauna, whirlpool and lunch, all for $195.

But it must be acknowledged that her beauty products and aesthetic services are not exactly cheap.

Skin peelings run from $50 to $1,200. A series of 35 non-surgical face-lift treatments can set you back as much as $3,500.

Least expensive of the 12 exclusive product lines she carries to combat wrinkles, flaccid skin and fatty thighs is her Filion line. The jars sell for $18 to $180, and are formulated from an array of ingredients that may include enzines of papaya, pineapple, peach, strawberries, raspberries, avocado, seaweed, caviar and young lamb tissue.

"But, combined with peelings, we can remove up to 10 years from your face," she says.

And, if some seem pricey — like her $55 jar of Filion BioHydro Mask cream, which contains green pepper, celery and cucumber plus vitamins — she reminds customers: "You can rest assured you're not dealing with a quack beautician."

Quite so. She's president of the Association of Professional Aestheticians of Ontario. Her credentials are documented by 52 diplomas, from Switzerland, Germany and Japan, which hang in her salon.

But the most impressive verification is Alma Filion herself, a warm, honey-blonde woman of 31, who as a teenager was scarred with acne and now rejoices in a fine, porcelain-like skin.

She's a beautician with a romantic background. She was born in a 60-bedroom mansion in Mexico City, with a staff of 18 servants to look after the family's needs, and a genealogy claiming she's related to Queen Faviola of Belgium and a descendant of the Aztec emperor Cuahutemoc.

Her father, Mario Navarro, owned a chain of seven hotels and bred racing thoroughbreds. She got her beautician training from her mother, Yolanda, who ran spas in Mexico City and California, which drew Hollywood stars the likes of Brit Eklund and Raquel Welch.

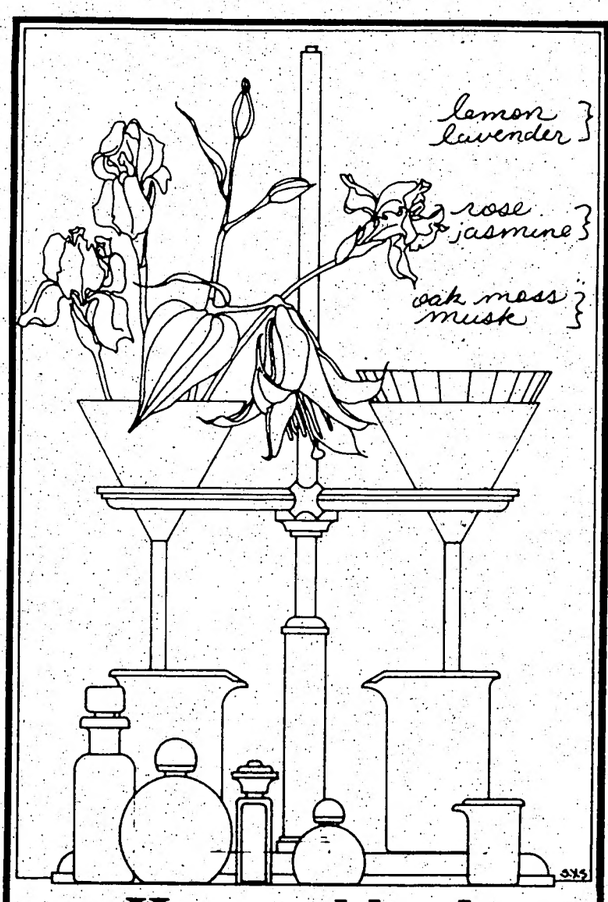
Alma says she moved to Toronto 10 years ago because she refused to accept the pre-arranged marriage her father had planned for her with the son of the president of Mexico.

Instead, she got married in Israel two years ago to Toronto aesthetician Terry Filion, who then ran two Profile Inch Loss Clinics — at Eglinton and Mt. Pleasant and in the Sheppard and 401 area.

She passes along these beauty tips:

- "For women with blotchy skin, the big no-no is never to squeeze severe acne or blackheads," she says. "If you do it improperly, your squeezing will spread the bacteria."
- Don't use lye soap which can be dangerous to your skin, she says. "I recommend liquid soap and cleansing cream."
- To cut down weight, she recommends eight glasses of water a day.
- Select a fragrance that has a moderate scent rather than drenching yourself in an extremist perfume "which will make you smell like a floozy."
- "The biggest beauty mistake is to indulge in self-diagnosis," she says. "You can't be objective about yourself, so don't hesitate to seek guidance from a qualified expert."

Alma Filion (left) gives beauty treatment to ballet star Karen Kain.



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TOP NOTES: Those which envelop you when the bottle is first opened. Fresh but fragile, they are often from the Hesperides family, such as lemon, bergamot and lavender.

MODIFIERS: These are perceived after the initial flight of the head notes. They give the perfume its character and often have scents of tuberose, rose, jasmine and gardenia.

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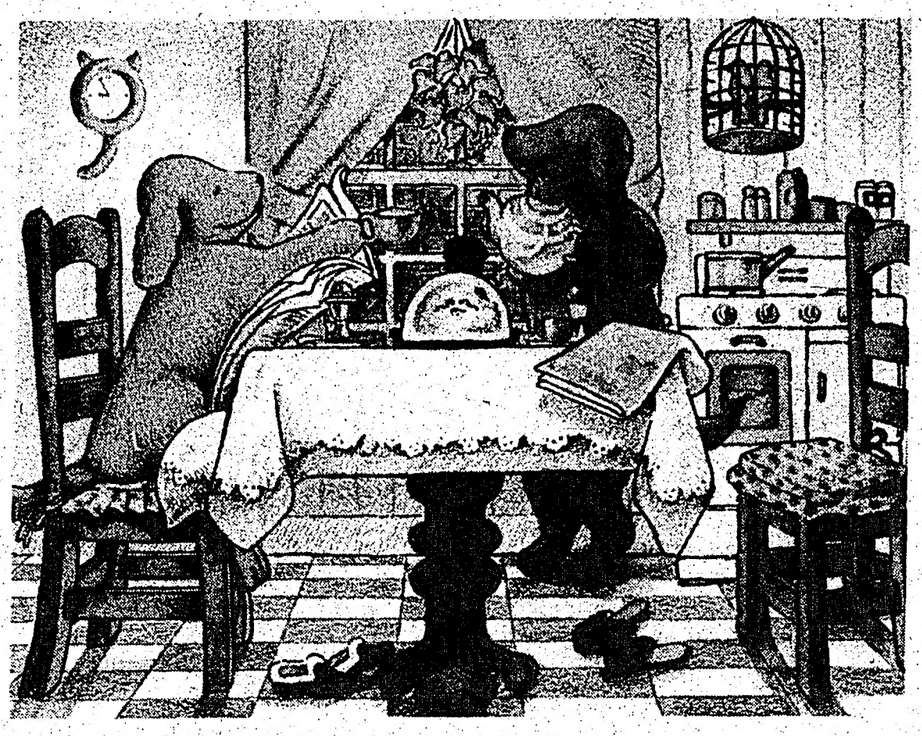

Two happy city dogs are the heroes of Brenda and Edward.

These books inform, also entertain kids

TORONTO —
The Kids Can Press of Toronto has published recently a harvest of both entertaining and informative books for children that would make ideal gifts.

The moppets aged 4 to 7 will have a lot of fun reading Brenda And Edward, by Maryann Kovalski, a charmingly illustrated, $6.95 picture book about the adventures of a pair of happy, city-bred dogs. They live behind a French restaurant in a cozy cardboard box and in summer enjoy sitting on Mrs. Levitt's front steps and indulge in people-watching.

Youngsters aged 8 to 13 who are handy with their fingers will delight in **Cat's Cradle, Owl's Eyes: A Book Of String Games.** Camilla Gryski, who works as children's librarian at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto (and always carries string in her pockets) has together 21 string games (including the Fish Spear and the Winking Eye.) There are easy-to-follow, step-by-step illustrations and instructions, and it sells for $9.95.

If your kids are 8 to 12 and are science buffs, they'll love **Scienceworks.** It's a $9.95 book, created by the Ontario Science Centre staff, and it's crammed with ingenious experiments and challenges for juvenile Einsteins.

Hockeybat Harris by Geoffrey Bilson is a 158-page, $5.95, utterly enchanting novel about a boy who moves to Saskatchewan and learns how to adapt to prairie life. It's for young people 9 to 12 and a good read. **F.R.**

Store's back-to-basic toys stimulate child's imagination

By JACQUELINE SWARTZ

TORONTO —
At a time when pricey, high-tech toys seem to be taking over the market, The Red Balloon, a bright, whimsical, back-to-basics store at 3280 Yonge St. seems resolutely old-fashioned.

"I'm interested in toys that develop a child's thinking, imagination and coordination," says Beatriz (Batya) Tabak, owner and proprietor of the store, which opened last July. The 38-year-old mother of two young children has definite ideas of what a toy store should offer.

"We sell happiness and joy — but through toys that involve effort and challenge, not toys that offer passive diversion or, like war toys, are destructive," she says. The Red Balloon carries toys not easily found elsewhere, and because such items are not advertised on television, children don't know about them.

For the most part, Tabak's toys involve creativity and peaceful fantasy. Hand puppets, building blocks and weaving kits appeal to boys and girls. So does a set featuring dolls with a house for the child to build. Two different kinds of do-it yourself theatre kits encourage children to write their own plays.

Reading games are especially instructive for children who have problems in that area. And chemistry sets, solar heating experiments and doorbell-building kits encourage budding scientists.

Although plastic is here to stay, Tabak seeks out wooden toys. "I like toys that will last — even from generation to generation." Many battery-operated toys fall apart, she claims, and do not give children the chance to operate them manually. Wood, fabric and other natural materials are versatile and offer children a tactile experience, she says.

Books are an important part of the Red Balloon's inventory, and the store carries an unusual selection in five languages. A line of books from Israel presents ingenious ways of motivating children to work at math and develop fine hand-eye coordination. Other items from Israel include games that encourage math skills and visual acuity.

Tabak became familiar with the books when she lived in Israel. During her 7-year stay she received an MA from the Hebrew University and worked as a school counselor. Locally she has worked at the Toronto Board of Education in adult education programs.

And when she accompanied her husband Enrique, an engineer, to Brazil where he headed a 2-year project, Tabak again found herself involved in childhood education. The Jewish school where her daughter Miriam, now 7, attended, seemed disorganized. Tabak's concern led her to submit a 100-page evaluation of the school's curriculum.

Born in Argentina, Tabak has a multicultural background which is reflected in many of the toys — pinatas from Mexico, mobiles from Brazil, anatomically correct dolls from Spain, carousel building kits from Italy and puppets from Czechoslovakia. "These are delightful and unusual toys," she remarks, "and their prices are certainly competitive." (Prices at the store range from 60 cents to $60).

So far the response to the Red Balloon has been enthusiastic. "People come in and say that this is the toy store they always wanted," says Tabak.

The toy store was a long-held dream for Tabak, who for years imagined a place of delight and creativity. Toys, she insists, do not have to be dictated by TV commercials. "They don't have to be expensive, high-tech fads. They can be timeless — and challenging."

And she is proving it at the Red Balloon.

Love, empathy fill new Chanukah book

The Hannukah of Great-Uncle Otto, by Myron Levoy, The Jewish Publication Society of America, $10.95

This is a book that can light up the holiday festivities.

A tale of love spanning the generations. The Hannukah of Great-Uncle Otto is about the relationship between a boy and an old man.

Joshua is sitting with Otto, a great uncle, in his repair shop. Otto reminds Joshua that Chanukah is "flying toward us like a winter bird." Joshua listens raptly as he tells his stories.

Although he can no longer hold his tools steadily, Otto is happiest when he's in his shop. At home, he feels useless and abandoned. But in his shop he's a tower of strength, a spinner of tales that can entrance any child.

Otto resolves to make a menorah for Joshua's parents — a menorah that will be special. Otto, with his trembling hands, enlists the help of Joshua. The two work from copper pipes and blocks of wood to complete the menorah.

Being a perfectionist, Otto decides that the menorah cannot be finished on time. Joshua, however, thinks otherwise.

Myron Levoy's story is told with warmth and empathy, and Donna Ruff's simple black-and-white illustrations seem to suit the book.

The Hannukah of Great-Uncle Otto, tailor-made for children from ages 8 to 12, is a holiday treat. **S.K.**

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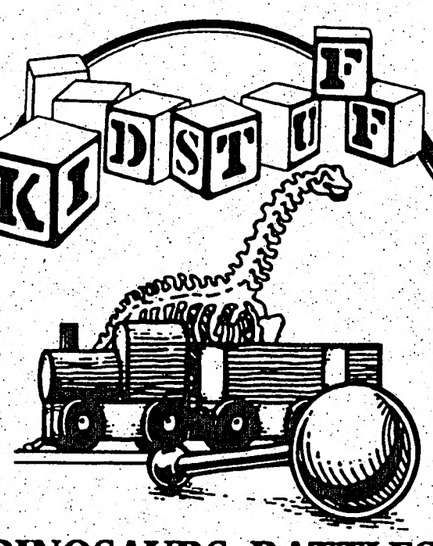

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Adult fashions make mark on kids' clothes

By CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Men's and women's fashions are strong in the children's market in miniature.

With their designer dresses, leg warmers and rugby pants, it would be impossible to distinguish a child's wardrobe from an adult's — except for the size.

Marvin Weisfeld, general manager of the children's clothing manufacturer, Holiday Sportswear, said that crop pants, above-the-ankle pants made out of linens or twills, are a very popular children's item.

"As soon as women began wearing crop pants, it became popular for children as well," Weisfeld said.

A 100% cotton blouse, for example, patterned with tiny flowers and ruffled at the neck and sleeve in pastel shades, coordinates with the crop pants. It makes an outfit a girl aged 2 to 10 would be proud to model at the family's Chanukah party.

An Yves Saint Laurent corduroy trimmed dress of 15% polyester and 85% cotton in a mauve plaid, also becomes elegant when a young girl coordinates it with a matching corduroy over-the-shoulder evening bag.

For the younger party girl, from newborn till age 3, designer Glynne Percy makes 100% acrylic quilted overalls in such colors as turquoise, mauve or rose, matched with a quilted over-the-shoulder bag. The moppet is now ready for any holiday event.

Kricket's polyester and cotton pants and shirts for boys are popular.

Pink leg warmers, trimmed in the outfit's color, add style and warmth.

For a more informal look for girls and boys from birth until age 6, Osh Kosh B'Gosh overalls are quite popular. Made of 100% cotton in denim or corduroy, the overalls come in a rainbow of colors.

Sporty boys are very comfortable in Kricket's royal blue rugby pants of 50% polyester and 50% cotton, trimmed in white and worn with striped T-shirts. A match for dad's outfit.

Smurfs and Cabbage Patch Kids are appearing this season on every type of apparel, from sleepers to ski gloves.

Jogging enthusiasts can prepare their children early in jogging co-ordinators by Health-Tex. Fleece lined in polyester cotton, the bright mauve, blue or green outfits are guaranteed to keep children warm.

And for those little frozen ears and fingers, Suite 100 has fuzzy acrylic Cabbage Patch ear muffs or Smurf ski gloves made of vinyl, nylon and rayon.

Even the military look has hit the children's market. Made by Majdell, cotton camouflage pants in prints of varying shades of green, with matching long-sleeve shirts, can make a boy from toddler to age 6 feel like a real military man.

These youngsters modeled for a children's fashion show at Markville Shopping Centre.

Shopping centre offers playground, quality gifts

TORONTO —

Eugenia Cork, its Jewish-Russian assistant manager, says Markville Shopping Centre currently is both a playground and Chanukah-gift treasure trove for youngsters of all ages.

She says a good many of the 140 shops in the 3-year-old plaza at 5000 Highway 7 near McCowan Rd. in Markham are catering to Jewish kiddies who live in Thornhill and the Bathurst corridor.

"It's not unusual for children to sit on Santa's lap in our mall and tell him what they want for Chanukah," she said.

The moppets are dragging their parents to shop for toys at the centre's Merryland and Good Fun & Games shops. The Baby's Room features everything from diapers to cribs for infants.

"There's an excellent selection of clothing for kids at Health-tex, Fashion Town and Kids World," she says, "as well as shoes at Kiddie Kobbler and Panda Shoes."

Here are some Chanukah events scheduled for the Markville Shopping Centre:

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Go for quality, stay clear of fads

Boxing Day bargain hunting requires preplanning

Fashion authority SAUL KORMAN reports regularly to The CJN on current fashion trends. Korman is president of Korry's Clothiers To Gentlemen, in Toronto.

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December is traditionally a month of celebration. For families, it's a time of the year they're sure to get together, whether for Chanukah or other festivities. Kids get a break from school, adults from the office, and for several weeks on end, goodwill and fellowship supposedly reign supreme.

Then there are the presents — and the parties. Enough food and drink to sink a battleship, culminating in one final, phenomenal blowout on New Year's Eve.

To the retailer, however, such celebrations pale in comparison to the Highest Holy Day of all in December — Boxing Day. To him, there is more music in the ringing of a cash register than in any carol, and almost as much beauty and joy in the sight of an emptied store as in the kindling of Chanukah candles.

The day after Christmas (or rather, the next day, and a full week afterward, as it has evolved in our consumer society) is the biggest sale period of the entire year. Prices on all stock in virtually every store in the country are slashed to the bare bone as part of a massive attempt to sweep shelf space for incoming spring merchandise.

The retailer makes up for this drop in dollar values by sheer volume selling — he knows if he's successful in appealing to the public, the revenues generated by this one sale alone will be enough to carry him through several lean months ahead.

The inveterate bargain hunter usually awaits these sales with as much excitement as does the retailer; and assuming he has the required grasp of current merchandising strategies, there really is no limit to be set on the bounty he can bag.

He knows, first of all, that he must be fully prepared. The direct amount of preplanning put into his venture will invariably be commensurate with the value of goods received. His shopping campaign is therefore carefully mapped: stores are plotted, price points analyzed and budgetary restrictions blocked out, well before Boxing Day actually arrives.

The hunter has been through his wardrobe and made note of everything he needs. He's also browsed through the stores that interest him, listing certain items' availability as well as their pre-sale cost, for quick future reference.

When Boxing Day dawns, he begins his quest by comparing features advertised in the newspapers, always on the lookout for specific, recognizable brand names with well-spelt-out savings.

He ignores ads offering ambiguous specials, such as "Save $150!" ($150 off of what?), and casts a suspicious eye at those that promise "prices reduced by up to 80%!" (again, 80% off of what? Is the store giving away merchandise out of the goodness of its heart, or have regular prices been jacked up to cover such a reduction? And what, if anything, do the words "up to" mean?).

Far more attractive are clearcut guarantees like "half-price" and "50% off regular values," particularly if they're proferred by a reliable retailer.

One of the nicest things about Boxing Day sales is that you might find yourself frequenting the type of store you normally couldn't afford. This is definitely the time to shop for quality rather than quantity. For instance, that longed-for cashmere sweater is now within reach; so too are those designer-label suits you've always wanted to wear.

Don't go crazy and lose your head, however. The experienced bargain hunter will stick to his budget as much as he's able, buying only what he truly needs. He'll go for the traditional looks, steering clear of fads that might fade by next fall. And he's aware of what colors and sizes suit him best, since even the best of stores might not offer a return policy on sale goods.

Assuming, of course, our man is really farsighted, he might be able to find some real deals on remainders of last summer's merchandise. Now would be the perfect time to complete next season's wardrobe for a fraction of its true value; one could also add a few extras if planning a winter vacation down south.

Another smart idea would be to get on to the mailing lists of a small circle of stores. There are several, like my own, that hold private sales for their better customers and, as you might suppose, the prices are routinely excellent.

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Left to right: J.A. Lyone Heppner, national president, Canadian ORT Organization, Dr. Martin L. Dobkin, president-elect, Ontario Men's ORT, Harvey M. Haber, out-going president, Montague Raisman, first vice-president and chairman of the board.

Dobkin will head Ontario Men's ORT

TORONTO —
Dr. Martin L. Dobkin was elected president of Ontario Men's ORT for 1985-86 at its bi-annual general and election meeting recently.

Others elected to executive positions of the Organization for Rehabilitation through Training are Montague Raisman, chairman of the board, Edward M. Bronfman, Ben Dunkelman and Murray Koffler, honorary presidents.

Barrie D. Rose, Ray Sadowski and Murray Willer were elected vice-presidents, while Rabbis Amram Assayag, J. Benjamin Friedberg, Henry Hoschander, Joseph Kelman, David Monson and Michael Stroh were elected to the Rabbinical Council for ORT.

Dobkin outlined his priorities for his term of office, including introducing a constitution, establishing a closer liaison with Canadian ORT and Women's Canadian ORT and charting out a more active role for Ontario Men's ORT.

Outgoing president Harvey M. Haber high-lighted the accomplishments of the preceding two years, which included the establishment of the Chaim Herzog Presidential Scholarships for Veterans in Israel.

Issie Cordes, honorary secretary, recounted the effort made towards establishing an ORT school in Toronto.

J.A. Lyone Heppner, national president of Canadian ORT, spoke about the recent formation of an advisory council of internationally famous academicians, while Rabbi Moses Burak, patron of the Shomrei Shabbat Veterans ORT program, reported on progress in that endeavor.

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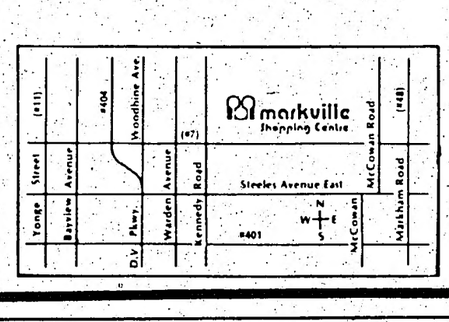

Fingerprinting to help find missing kids

By CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —
With well over 2,000 missing children in Canada today, parents are becoming increasingly concerned that one day, they too will send a child off to school — and never see him or her again.

In order to help those who are suffering the heartache of a missing child, Childfind, an American organization dedicated to uniting parents and missing children, has begun fingerprinting and photographing children of all ages.

With a fingerprint and a recent photo in hand, parents are able to help police in their search for a missing child.

Now, in association with Childfind, eight Torontonians from B'nai B'rith Women of Canada have recently undergone an intensive training program with the Metro Toronto Police Force that will enable them to teach other women from the organization to go out into the community and fingerprint children.

Gloria Levitt, national service chairman for B'nai B'rith Women told The Canadian Jewish News that BBW members are very enthusiastic about their new project.

"We are prepared to go into schools, to youth groups, shopping plazas, etc. to fingerprint as many children as we possibly can," Levitt said.

"Fingerprinting is not difficult to learn but it is time consuming and must be done properly or it is useless," she says.

Constable Stephen McIntyre of the department of public affairs for Metro Toronto Police told The CJN that "fingerprinting will aid police enormously" in the search for a missing child.

Levitt said parents will be provided with a fingerprint and a photo of their child to keep at home.

"No other copy of the fingerprint will be in existence, so parents need not worry about police having a file on their child," she noted.

Levitt said that as a parent of three children who have been fingerprinted, she thinks it is a great project.

"In this day and age, younger and older children are abducted and older children often run away. Parents must be ready to help police in any way they can," she added.

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Jewish home environment stressed

Self-help seen vital in holding small town teens

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Let's Work Together was the stated theme of the conference, but taking a self-help approach was one of the ideas broached as a means of dealing with the problem of retaining teens in small communities.

The occasion was the small communities conference held recently in Kitchener and the problem discussed was retaining teens in a Jewish environment in places with small Jewish populations.

Approximately 60 people from Kingston, Peterborough, St. Catharines, Oakville, Guelph, Sudbury, Timmins, North Bay and other small Ontario communities attended the 1-day conference, according to Susan Jackson, director of community services and youth activities of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region.

In a briefing of the highlights of the conference, Jackson told The CJN that Rabbi P. Rosensweig of the hosting Congregation Beth Jacob described why parents and the family have a responsibility to educate their children both outside and inside the classroom.

Children won't retain what they learn in school, Rosensweig said, if it isn't practiced at home. If they learn the blessing for candles in school it won't sink in unless they see it in the home as well, he stated.

Rabbi Eliot Feldman of Kehillat Shaarei Torah Synagogue in Toronto told the conference the problem of educating and involving teens in a Jewish environment is not a problem unique to small communities. Even in a big city like Toronto, not enough is offered for them, he said.

Jackson told The CJN Feldman tried to universalize the problem so those from smaller centres would not feel isolated. His message was optimistic, she said, but "he pointed out the family has to work at it. They have to create a Jewish home environment."

Les Scheininger, chairman of CJC, Ontario Region, described the differences between the Canadian and American Jewish experiences, pointing out Jews in the United States had a more difficult time holding and retaining their culture in the face of the social pressures to consider themselves Americans first, and Jews second.

In Canada, multiculturalism is promoted and there is no conflict between being Canadian and Jewish, he added.

He urged the smaller communities to attend the gathering of Holocaust survivors and family in Ottawa scheduled for April.

Marlene Walker, co-chairperson of the leadership development committee of CJC, spoke on the theme of working together. Four workshops were then held to discuss motivation of the community, programming ideas, available resources and dwindling/elderly populations.

One group put together a suggested list of resource books as sources of information, including the Jewish Catalogue and The Nine Questions, Jackson said. The groups also asked the CJC to prepare a catalogue of all the services it provides and resources they can plug into, Jackson said, including information on Ethiopian Jews.

CJC to give Ethiopia aid

MONTREAL —
Canadian Jewish Congress has announced that the Canadian Jewish community is contributing $10,000 towards the federal government's Ethiopian famine effort. This is in addition to any contributions which may be made by individual persons and groups in the Jewish community.

CJC said in a statement that it has been following the situation in Ethiopia closely and has been in communication with both the Canadian and Ethiopian authorities over the past few years.

It has been lobbying for increased aid to Ethiopia over this period and said it is particularly pleased with the recent increases announced by the Quebec government and the contributions being made by the Canadian public in general.

"Canadian Jewish Congress has a general humanitarian interest in the welfare of the Ethiopian people at large, and a particular concern with the small and ancient Ethiopian Jewish community and its struggle for physical, cultural and spiritual survival," said Stan Cytrynbaum, chairman of the Ethiopian Jewry Committee.

Alan Rose, executive vice-president, visited Ethiopia during April, 1984, and has recently been in Ethiopia on a 10-day mission.

Anyone wishing to make a contribution to aid Ethiopian Jewry in particular is urged by CJC to increase individual contributions to the annual combined appeal campaigns in the various cities of Canada, marking the donation for Ethiopian Jewry.

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TORONTO —

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Depending on the field of study and the availability of an internship in that field, NAAM's sister organization, the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel, will attempt to match qualifications with available placements in the two programs planned in Jerusalem and Haifa.

The summer internships in Jerusalem are recommended for students in the humanities and medical fields. Participants in Jerusalem will be responsible for finding their own housing.

The internships in Haifa are aimed at students interested in working in architecture, computers, medical research, engineering or any other technologically related area. (Internships are available in Haifa in other fields as well.) Participants will be housed in a student absorption centre where kitchen facilities are available. (Students who keep kosher will be accommodated.)

Acceptance to both programs will depend upon the applicant's personal commitment to aliya, the strength of his or her resume, knowledge of Hebrew, the availability of work sought and general attitude.

Participants are expected to function independently on a day-to-day basis, and therefore, must have a working knowledge of Hebrew and have visited Israel previously.

For further information and application forms, contact the Israel Aliyah Centre at 1111 Finch Ave. West, Suite 305, Downsview, Ont. M3J 2E5; (416) 665-7772.

JCC festivities

TORONTO —

Chanukah and the Jewish Community Centre go together like latkes and applesauce this year.

The Bloor St. branch of the JCC will be holding its annual Chanukah celebration on Sunday, Dec. 16, between 12.30 and 2 p.m.

There will be live musical entertainment, a delicious deli and admission is free to everyone in the community.

Festivities get under way at the north-east branch on Dec. 16 at 2 p.m. and conclude at 4 p.m.

A mime and puppet show is planned, as well as an exhibition of breakdancing, dreidel games, a Chanukah crafts display and Chanukah bingo.

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Organizations and People

Champion fund raiser

Retired businessman enjoying volunteer work

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — Retired? Feeling cast aside and old and useless? Then listen to Sid Bell.

Retired for the past nine years, the former owner of two men's wear stores is busier and works harder now than he ever did in business. In fact, he wonders, "I don't know how I ever found the time to do business!"

Bell is Temple Anshe Sholom's champion fund raiser, and was rewarded about a year ago with a lifetime honorary membership — "the first and only member to be awarded this honor in the 125 years of the Temple's existence," he says proudly.

In the den of his comfortable, 15th-floor apartment on the mountain with its magnificent view over city and bay, he's delighted to talk about his life as a volunteer.

"Sometimes, in the morning, you'd think this was one of the busiest offices," he says happily. "The phone keeps ringing and ringing, I can't get dressed, I can't go out . . . I'm very, very busy."

Volunteer work is something Bell can "very definitely" recommend for anyone who is retired. Sadly shaking his head, he talks of friends "who look so much older than I, sitting around and watching TV and waiting for the little man upstairs to come and get them. When he comes for me," he chuckles, "I'm going to tell him I'm not going."

At 75 he's fit and energetic, a member of the Cedar Springs Tennis club, where he plays a mean game four times a week. Numerous trophies attest to his prowess at table tennis, ballroom dancing, "shuffleboard, believe it or not," and even the tango.

"I love people and I'm sociable," he explains, his eyes glinting with a sense of fun. "I think that's the reason for being successful in any endeavor."

Over the past five years, Bell has raised a total of $130,000 for the Temple by running bingo games, various lotteries, draws, the Tree of Life "and other small matters." But mostly it's bingo that brings in the money and if board members frowned when he first proposed the idea, they heartily applauded when he handed over the first $5,000 check. "And I've been at it ever since."

On another wall are plaques in recognition of his work for B'nai B'rith. He has been on the executive of Viceroy Reading Lodge for over 25 years, is co-editor of its bulletin and one of the most successful ticket sellers for its annual Sports Celebrity Dinner. As well, he does his share in entertaining patients at the Chedoke-McMaster Hospital with the regular B'nai B'rith quiz show.

Sid Bell

Bell is a member of the Stroke Recovery Association and was recently honored at a dinner in Toronto for organizing a raffle that raised $35,000 for the organization. He is a board member of the Hamilton Jewish Federation, active in UIA and the United Jewish Welfare Fund, a member of the Grand Order of Israel, the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, the Optimists Club and the Lions Club, and a canvasser for the Cancer and Heart funds.

He is still a proud member of the British Display Association, which he joined when he worked as a department store window dresser in England. A native of Nottingham, he learned tailoring in his father's clothing factory and took it up again after emigrating to Canada in 1952.

Except for a brief sojourn in California in the late 50s, where he had hoped to establish himself as a tailor to the stars, he has lived in Hamilton ever since, returning, he says, because his wife Eva, a Hamiltonian, missed her family and preferred "a climate with four seasons."

Today, Eva helps him run the bingo games but his greatest trouble, he admits, is getting volunteers. With plenty of ideas and projects up his sleeve, all he needs to make money, he says, is volunteers.

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Health council calls for sexual assault centres

TORONTO —

A number of sexual assault treatment centres funded by the provincial government should be established in Toronto to serve the needs of victims of sexual assault, according to a report recently approved by the Metropolitan Toronto District Health Council.

"Victims of sexual assault require emotional support as well as physical treatment," Willaim Nichols, chairman of the health council said in a press statement. "The regional program recommended will help maximize accessibility to treatment and follow-up services for these victims."

The report, which is currently being reviewed by the minister of health, Keith Norton, calls for three adult sexual assault centres and one pediatric sexual abuse referral centre in the eastern and northwestern part of Metro Toronto.

At present, only Women's College Hospital has an organized program dedicated to the treatment of adult victims of sexual assault.

Brent Chambers, executive director of the Metropolitan Toronto District Health Council, told The CJN that the program was set up at Women's Hospital in March 1984 to provide for the special needs of the victims. Prior to the inception of the program, Chambers said, victims received different levels of care and follow-up at hospitals.

The regional pediatric sexual abuse referral centre for Metro should be situated at the Hospital for Sick Children, the report states, as there is presently a program for treatment and follow-up at that hospital.

The sexual assault working group recommended that the centres should be in operation by June 1985 and that the $300,000 required for the program come entirely from ministry of health coffers.

Once established, the report recommends that each centre provide victims with a number of services, including an on-call roster of physicians to provide around-the-clock coverage, appropriate treatment facilities, initial treatment by trained emergency nurses, any emergency treatment necessary and the appropriate in-house support services.

While the health council is working to aid victims of sexual assault, Metro Toronto Police are trying to prevent the crime from happening, in part, through its ongoing community education program.

A recently released booklet on sexual assault put out by the police provides women with a number of measures that can be taken to help reduce the incidence of being attacked, including:

- Change all locks on exterior doors when moving into new premises.
- Equip the front door with a peep hole viewer and check the identity of callers before opening the door. Request identification from all maintenance and repairmen.
- Avoid feminine identification on mailboxes or in the telephone directory.
- Avoid shortcuts through parks, vacant lots or unlit streets.
- Try to avoid waiting at isolated bus stops when alone and try to sit near other women or near the driver on public transportation.

If you are being sexually assaulted, police stress, there is no right or wrong response to the situation and that the decison to fight back or resist can only be made by the person being attacked.

After being attaeked the victim should call the police as soon as possible. While waiting for the police, do not bathe, change your clothes or disturb the scene of the assault. Instead try to remember points of identification about the attacker and write down this information.

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Frequent Kol Israel performances

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By
RICK KARDONNE

One of Jerusalem's top hotel-nightclub songstresses, Nelly Stern, together with her husband Igo, well known as permanent musician at the King David Hotel, now reside in Toronto.

Born in Egypt, and fluent in French as well as Hebrew, English, Arabic, Spanish, Italian, and Yiddish, Nelly Stern naturally possesses that ideal sultry-sensuous chanteuse appeal which is the epitome of supper club sophistication. Little wonder that she, accompanied by Igo, proficient on accordion, bass, violin, transicorde and organ, has been a regular favorite at such renowned hotels as the King David and Intercontinental which attract top diplomats and celebrities.

She is well known from her frequent performances with the popular Mel Keller program on Kol Israel, the Israel Broadcasting Service. (Keller, Israel's equivalent of CKFM's late Phil MacKellar, is a musician and radio announcer who brought big-band jazz to Israel and who has successfully integrated Israel into the world jazz scene.

Appearing frequently on Israel TV, Nelly Stern has frequently sung for the army and her two albums on Israel's top local label, Hed-Artzi, are entitled Johnny and Carmelith.

Now in Toronto to attend to pressing long-term family matters, Nelly and Igo Stern are determined to achieve similar success in Toronto's most sophisticated nightclub-hotel and entertainment-broadcast circles. With their solid background and wordly flair, there is little doubt that they soon will.

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Sold-out Minkler Auditorim concert for Mordechai Ben-David . . . two sold-out Northview Heights concerts for Uncle Moishy and the Mitzvah Men — all in one day!

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Backed up by a top New York-based 5-piece band featuring veteran studio bassist Moshe Antellis and superbly complemented by the tasteful projection of slide stills, Mordechai Ben-David's strongest numbers included one set to photographs from Roman Vishniac's Vanished World of pre-Hitler Jewish Poland, and shots of both the Holocaust and present-day Jerusalem set to his powerful call for mass aliya, Someday We'll All Be Together.

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Canadian-Jewish composer Milton Barnes scored a Canadian first in China with his performance last August of his symphonic poem Maid of the Mist with the Canton Symphony Orchestra.

This marks the first performance of a Canadian orchestral work by any Chinese orchestra. Conductor was Toronto resident Tag Ny-Lai, presently conductor of the Toronto-Chinese Orchestra and the Niagara Youth Symphony. Maestro Lai, who conducted three concerts with the Canton Symphony, performed Maid of the Mist in Niagara on Nov. 21.

This work, which describes the legend of an Indian maiden sacrificed to the water spirits of the Niagara River, was broadcast over Canton TV and will soon be released as a commercial recording (in China only) on the Pacific label. It was originally commissioned by George Brown's college orchestra under an OAC grant in 1977, for a Scottish youth orchestra festival.

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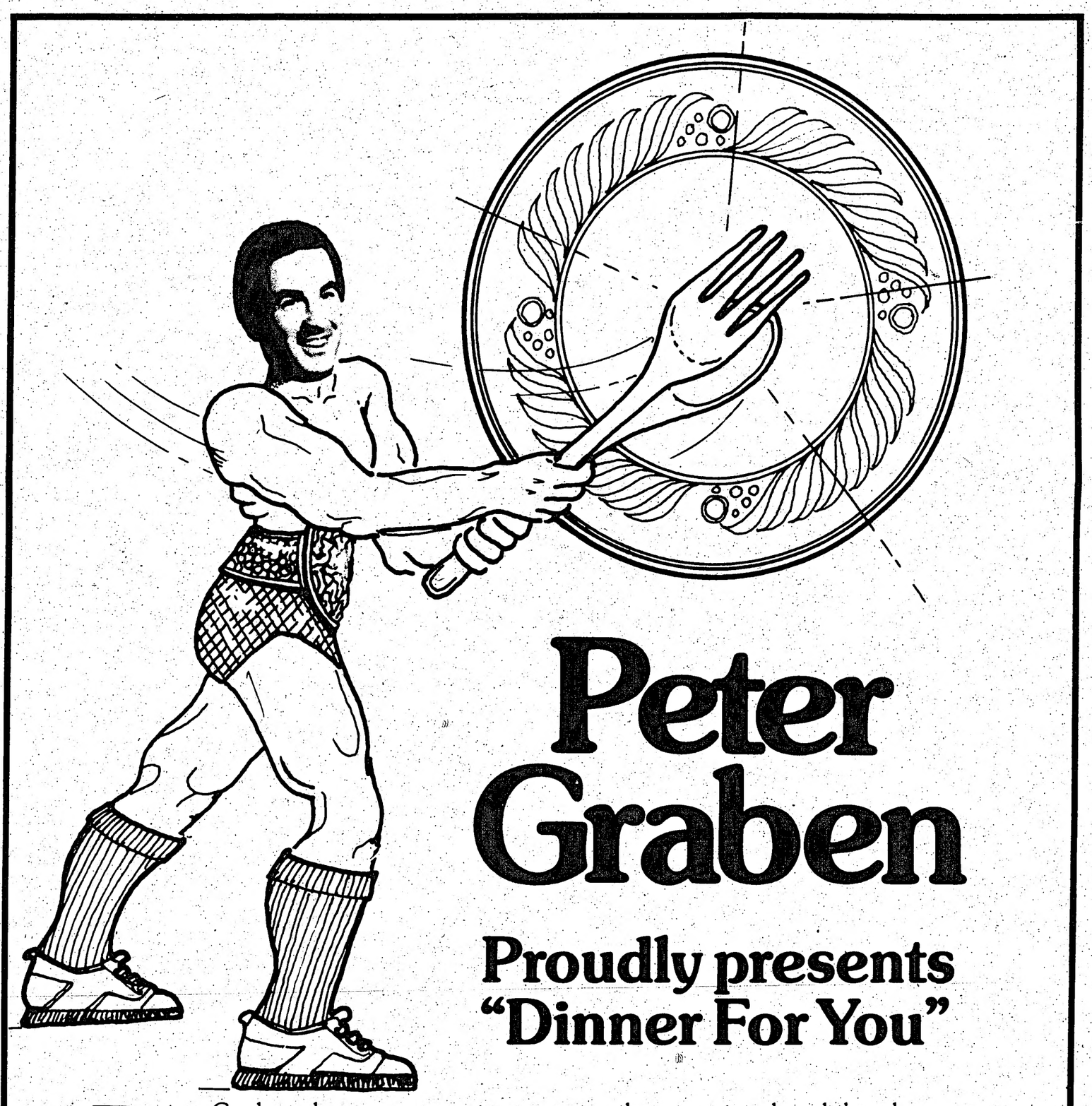

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Great delight "to have people understand"

Stitt poems capture common, everyday experiences

By
HILARY HORLOCK

TORONTO —

I aspire to such skilful expression (though the chances appear to be slim), that each woman thinks I've recorded her thoughts and every man thinks they're for him.

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There is a character in theatre called Everyman who represents the values and thoughts common to society. If Everyman was a poet, he would be Linda Stitt. She is at once deeply profound yet lightly superficial. Her poems talk of feelings and experiences common to all human beings.

"My greatest delight is to have people understand what I have written. I can think of no better compliment than to have someone say to me that it is something they would have written, had they gotten around to it."

In the beginning, "I wrote for myself and God" said Stitt, but as her work began to be read by others she "brought responsibility to my form for my audience, but the subject and the message are still me talking to myself."

Her third collection of work, Yesterday's Poetry, was published in October and was on display at the recent Jewish Book Fair. Two previous volumes — Reflections from a Dusty Mirror and What do you Feed a Unicorn? — were published in 1983.

"I used to walk down Yonge St. and say 'look at all those characters,'' and then I realized I was one of them," she said in a recent interview. "That's where I get my ideas — from everyday life. A lot of them come from looking at myself and having a good laugh."

Ambivalent attitude to love

While the fact that she is Jewish has had no direct influence on her work, she says, "my experiences within the realm of my spirituality have total influence on my poetry."

Poetry is very much a cathartic process for her and she claims that there is nothing "that cannot be chewed up and spit out in a poem . . . it's all grist for the mill."

Born in Huntsville and a former resident of Thunder Bay, Stitt has lived in Toronto since 1978. She says she has always written, even as a young child.

Although she doesn't remember it herself, her parents used to keep her amused during long car trips by asking her to relate stories and create characters involving the scenes passing through the car windows. It was not until an intense personal experience later in her life caused her to sit and write non-stop for three days, however, that she considered writing as anything more than personal amusement.

"Eventually, my friends harassed me so much to publish my work so that to obtain relief from their pressure, I published my first book, and now I'm hooked."

Most of the poems in Yesterday's Poetry deal with relationships, some between friends and family, but the majority between men and women.

There is evidence of an ambivalent attitude towards love in many of the works, a sense that the feeling is fleeing and not to be trusted. Stitt attributes this to the fact that "relationships are an area which I am still exploring." She was quick to say, however, that love is a valid vehicle — "the only one there is" — and felt she was "about to go out and make a real effort again."

A love and respect of friendship is also evident in much of her poetry, even when she is being ambivalent about love. There are few quotations in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations which better describe friendship than Stitt's following poem:

I hone my edge
against the emery of
friends
to whom I can entrust
the powdered shavings of
myself

Stitt is now busy at work on her fourth book of poems, tentatively titled It was True at the Time, which she hopes will be published in 1985. At this rate, her ambition to be poet laureate of Toronto may come true strictly from the sheer volume of her work.

Linda Stitt gets poetic ideas from everyday life.

First Impressions announces hours

TORONTO —

Mark Buck, president of First Impressions Gallery, now located at 334 Dundas St. W., advises that the gallery is open Tuesday to Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. between now and Chanukah, "to provide maximum viewing hours to the public."

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Local theatre's Jewish content pleases YPT director Moss

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO — Peter Moss, 37, the director of Young People's Theatre, is an ex-Montrealer, who finds the Toronto theatre scene an exciting and vibrant one, with plenty of opportunity to stage plays with Jewish content or Jewish associations.

Last week YPT opened a revival of the smash hit, Jacob Two Two Meets the Hooded Fang, by Mordecai Richler, and next March it presents Village of Idiots, about the legendary citizens of Chelm, the Jewish settlement in Poland, where many stories by Sholem Aleichem and Isaac Bashevis Singer originated.

The Village of Idiots, an original play by Montreal writer John Lazarus, now resident in Vancouver, is being presented at YPT in association with the Leah Posluns Theatre.

Moss expects that many teachers and classes from the Jewish day schools and after-school classes will want to see the world premiere of the play about the people of Chelm who seem to do things backward or upside down, but who have more wisdom than those who do things in a conventional way.

Tevye originated in Chelm

Tales about Chelm are in the repertoire of many Yiddish and Jewish performers. The stories about Tevya, the dairyman who became the central character of Fiddler on the Roof, originated in Chelm, or one of its sister communities nearby.

Moss, however, believes this is the first time they've been used as the basis of an original dramatic playscript.

The actor, John Lazarus, is the same man who wrote the highly successful, Dreaming and Duelling, produced at YPT.

Play becoming classic

But the YPT director points out that Village of Idiots is not a shtetl play in the sense which that genre implies, but a contemporary fast-moving production, right up to date.

Moss is directing Jacob Two Two which runs to Jan. 6. He thinks Richler's adaptation for the stage of his story for children is emerging as a Canadian classic and foresees that it will become an annual or bi-annual presentation at YPT. It played to sold out houses last spring.

The lyrics are by Dennis "Alligator Pie" Lee and Philip "Fraggle Rock" Balsam, with additional music and lyrics by Jim Betts. Choreography is by Jeff Hyslop.

Its cast includes Keram Malicki-Sanchez as the 6-year-old Jacob Two Two, Eugene Clark as the jailer, The Hooded Fang, Marja Ardal and Stan Lesk as the ghoulish prison wardens, Mistress Fowl and Mister Fish.

Others in the 19-member cast are Richard Binsley, William Colgate, Alicia Jeffery, Sam Moses, Lori Anne Alter, Hadley Kay, Denise Kennedy and Albert Schultz.

The unfortunate children in prison are Alex Mieczmikowski, Dorion Davis, Wendy Chong, Jordan Schwartz, Zachary Levine, David Grant and Ailsa Craig.

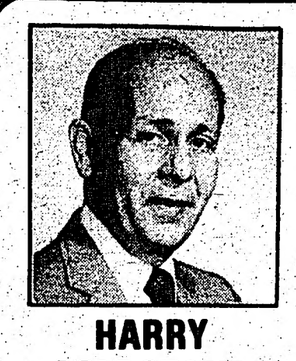
Peter Moss

The YPT director is the son of Ann Moss, principal of the Jewish People's Schools in Montreal. His father, Archie Moss, is a businessman in Montreal. Both his parents were born in Canada.

Peter attended Northmount High School in Snowdon and McGill University for a short time. He is a graduate of the National Theatre School in Montreal and was a director at the Stratford Festival for four seasons before coming to YPT. He also has extensive theatre experience in Britain.

He is married to the former Joan Kirshner of Montreal, daughter of Florence and Dr. A. J. Kirshner, and they have two children, Jessica, 8 and Nadia, 5.

One sister, Cathy Wasserman, is in advertising in Vancouver and editor of MacDonald's Fun Times, a magazine for children. Her husband, Alvin, is creative director of an agency there. Another sister, Natasha, has gone back to the original family name, Moscovitch, and is a dancer and teacher of eurythmics in New York.



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Feelings, concerns in Yiddish

People's spirit pervades folk sayings

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By
BERNARD BASKIN

Words Like Arrows: A collection of Yiddish Folk Sayings. Compiled by Shirley Kumove. University of Toronto Press, $19.95.

Proverbs, maxims and folk sayings incarnate the distilled wisdom of a people, nation or group. They present in pithy or succinct form the fruits of collective experience. It is not surprising that proverbs and folk sayings are sometimes contradictory. After all, wisdom is many-sided and experience is diverse. Thus we are taught that "he who hesitates is lost" at the same time that we are cautioned to "look before we leap."

Shirley Kumove, born and reared in Toronto, has had a longtime love affair with the Yiddish language. She has painstakingly culled 1800 Yiddish folk sayings from many sources — including those gleaned from relatives and friends — and grouped them under 200 subject headings from "ability" to "youth."

These witty, cynical, wise and cautionary sayings — most of them just a sentence or two long — reflect a host of ethical, social, economic and religious concerns. They adumbrate the feelings, attitudes, concerns and foibles of our parents and grandparents in Eastern Europe and after their arrival as immigrants in the New World.

For the author, a collection of this kind affords the reader a glimpse of the literary richness that was lost, much of it forever, as a result of the Holocaust. Moreover, it preserves a positive and unique record of Jewish experience and creativity.

Each folk saying is presented in Yiddish with Hebrew letters, transliterated for those who know enough Yiddish to enjoy the sound and flavour of the language — and then felicitously translated into English.

In her brief and helpful introduction the author surveys the rich, multi-leveled life of Eastern European Jewry that provides the background for her selections. She points out the numerous difficulties and perils of translation. Often "it becomes necessary to depart somewhat from the strictly literal because the word, phrase, or thought would have little or no meaning outside the Yiddish-speaking world."

Handsomely produced, the volume is decorated with 50 apt and clever illustrations by Frank Neufeld and contains a glossary and bibliography. All honor to the author and publisher for this delightful addition to my shelf of books of enduring Jewish interest.

The following selections convey something of the flavor and breadth of the material.

• Fried in honey, a radish is also a delicacy; gepreglt in honik iz retekh oykh a maykhl.

• Ask another's advice but keep your own counsel; freg an eytse bay yenem un hob dayn seykhl bay zikh.

• A person is, after all, only a human being — and sometimes not even that; a mentsh iz nebekh fort a mentsh — un amol dos oykh nit.

• Three things grow overnight: interest, rent money and girls; dray zakhn vaksn ibernakht: protsent, dire-gelt un meydn.

• You can't sit on two horses with one behind; mit eyn hintn zitst men nit oyf tsvey ferd.

• One God and so many enemies! Eyn got un azoy fil sonim!

• If God lived on earth, all His windows would be broken; az got volt gelebt oyf der erd volt men im ale fenster oysgeshlogn.

• From talking you don't get pregnant; fun zogn fargeyt men nit in trogn.

• Right here is where the dog lies buried! Ot do ligt hunt bagrobn!

Raisins and Almonds displays "valiant" effort

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Raisins and Almonds, at the Leah Posluns Theatre until Dec. 22, does not make a successful transition to a musical, though there are diverting moments along the way and it's great holiday entertainment.

Fredelle Bruser Maynard's story of an isolated Jewish family on the prairies is an internal monologue in the style of Margaret Laurence and one can imagine the difficulty in making Stone Angel into a musical.

Children can identify

The attempt to weave dance and song styles of the 1920s, and the blues age, into a coherent whole with traditional Jewish melodies is a valiant one, but it doesn't quite work.

The musical has engaging lyrics by Christine Foster, particularly Questions for G-d and Christmas Again sung by Elyssa Livergant as young Friedele, but the book, also by Ms. Foster, fails to deliver Friedele's parents, Boris and Rona, as fully realized characters. Nicholas Rice and Rhona Shekter who play the couple do not have the physical bulk or immigrant mannerisms to successfully portray the parents of many of us who grew up in a similar environment.

The songs and the lively music composed by Phyllis Cohen work best in the numbers like Saturday Night Town, Come On and Get It and Sweet Tooth, which are completely detachable from the plot. In these songs, Philip Eckman, as the gangly bachelor Jim, makes a notable contribution.

There is a moment of dramatic tension when a Polish customer and erstwhile friend, played by John Novak, turns on Boris Bruser and exclaims: "Call me a liar will you, you lousy kike," but it is late in the second act by then and the line is left awash in the sea of motherhood vignettes which preceded it.

In comparison with Lies My Father Told Me by Ted Allen and It All Ends up in a Shopping Bag by Paul Kligman, which also deal with the experience of immigrant Jews in Canada, Raisins and Almonds, as a musical, lacks the credibility they achieved.

The best way to appreciate Raisins and Almonds, staged and directed by Martin Fishman, is as a family entertainment. Certainly the children will be able to identify with Friedele when she asks G-d, "Am I too small a problem for you?" or at Christmas, "Why can't Moses have a baby too?"

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Memories too strong to forget

Spadina documentary strong symbol of Jewish life

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Spadina is to Toronto what the Lower East Side is to New York: a fount of memories too strong to forget.

Until the 1950s, Spadina Ave. was the heart and soul of Toronto's Jewish community, the north-south artery which cut across the lives of thousands of East European immigrants in more ways than one.

Here the garment factories sprang up. Here Kensington Market arose. Here the great ideological debates of the day took place. Here two generations of Jews were nurtured.

Spadina, in short, was a metaphor for emerging Toronto Jewry.

David Troster, a Toronto filmmaker, distills its essence in Spadina, a 56-minute documentary, which was shown at the recent Festival of Festivals in Toronto, and more recently at CentreStage.

Using black and white stills culled from various archives, supplemented by color photography, Troster presents what may very well be the definitive picture of Spadina. Through his eyes, a viewer learns that Spadina was not just the name of an important thoroughfare, but a symbol of Jewish life for about half a century.

Little Jerusalem

Spadina's golden years were in the 1920s and 1930s, when some 60,000 Jews lived in its vicinity, building synagogues, businesses, careers and youthful ambitions.

Immigrants were welcomed to Canada when the Spadina neighborhood began to expand, and the luckiest immigrants were those with skills — tailors, furriers, bakers and the like.

In its heyday, long before the Chinese, West Indians and Portuguese moved in and gave it its new multi-ethnic character, Spadina was a Little Jerusalem, what with its distinctly Jewish stores, restaurants and institutions.

Here, at any given moment, debates raged on the merits of Socialism or Zionism. Here, on Friday mornings or Thursday afternoons, Jewish housewives shopped for the Sabbath repast. Here, sporadically, labor strife erupted.

Photographic pictures cannot always convey with accuracy or pungency the sense of a place, and so Troster wisely bolsters his film with a series of interviews which not only inform but illuminate as well.

Sam Taft, the flamboyant haberdasher, recalls the celebrities who've entered his little store. Ben Lappin, now a professor of social work in Israel, philosophizes on the spirit of Spadina. Harry Topper and his son, Victor, tell of the development of the fur trade.

Max Federman, practically the last top-ranking Jewish union leader left in Toronto, is seen talking into a telephone, advising against a work stoppage. His business agent, Al Hershcowitz, is followed by the camera into a factory, where he asks a worker to help the union.

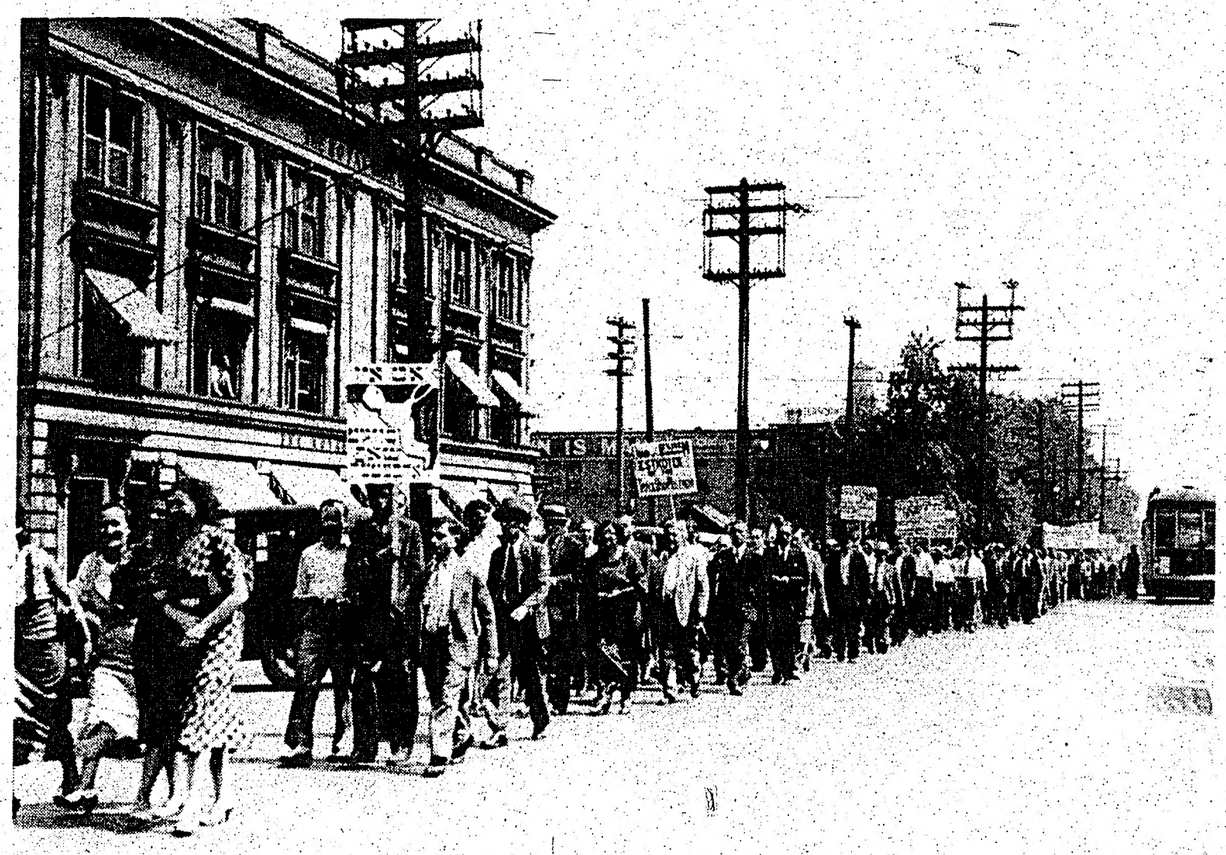
J. B. Salsberg, the former member of the Ontario legislature, remembers the strikes which rocked the needle industry, and the curious situation in which management and workers frequented the same synagogues and same restaurants in spite of their bitter differences.

Harry Simon, who went on to become a well known trade unionist, was 24 when 15,000 persons staged North America's first anti-fascist march in July, 1933, in response to Hitler. The federal government, he says, did not even bother to respond. It was a foretaste of things to come as far as its attitude toward Jewish refugees would be concerned.

Phil Givens, Toronto's second Jewish mayor, provides the best lines in the movie.

In his typically ebullient manner, Givens reminisces of the carp swimming in the family bathtub on the eve of the Friday evening meal, and of the dressing down his father administered to him upon hearing that his son intended to quit school at 16.

Troster's remembrances of things past strike a responsive chord among those who grew up in and around Spadina, now all but bereft of Jews. Spadina, his film, is a lovingly-crafted monument of an era that is already part of history.



A scene from Spadina, a film by David Troster (City of Toronto Archives).

Yiddish musical returns

TORONTO —

Back by popular demand, the newly established Toronto Jewish Theatre has decided to schedule three additional performances of its first production Lomir Lachn, Lomir Zingen (Let's have a laugh, let's have a song) this month.

The Yiddish musical revue stars New York songstress Fay Nicoll and an all Canadian cast.

The repeat performances will be held at the Northview Heights auditorium, corner of Bathurst and Finch, on Dec. 15, 7.30 p.m. and Dec. 16, 2 and 7.30 p.m.

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Travel

New Orleans Museum to exhibit Czech Judaica

NEW ORLEANS — The Precious Legacy, Judaic Treasures from the Czechoslovak State Collections, will be presented by the New Orleans Museum of Art from Dec. 16 to Feb. 10. The exhibit offers audiences the opportunity to view Judaica from the State Jewish Museum in Prague.

The Prague museum, established in 1906, became a source of considerable pride to the Jews of Czechoslovakia but grew to unanticipated proportions as the Nazis ordered all Jewish possessions of artistic and historical value confiscated and shipped to Prague. Paradoxically, this museum, which was maintained by the Nazis for the mockery of Judaism, now testifies eloquently to the vitality and creativity of Czech Jewish life.

The collection includes printed books dating back to 1512, a world renowned textile collection, and unique examples of ceremonial and commemorative objects used by the famous Jewish Burial Society of Prague.

Canadians interested in viewing the Precious Legacy can book airline and hotel package tours, according to Alice Yelen, the museum's coordinator for the exhibit. Yelen says the museum has been working with the New Orleans Tourism Bureau and hotels and airlines to create the package tours.

Groups or individuals interested in scheduling tours should contact Yelen or Virginia Weaver, museum public relations officer at (504) 488-2631. Kosher catering is available.

The museum has scheduled lectures, a poetry reading, films and musical programs to go with the exhibit.

The New Orleans Symphony Orchestra and the museum will be presenting the world premiere of a piece commissioned especially for the Precious Legacy exhibit, The Beadle of Prague, by Herman Berlinski, on Sunday, Jan. 27.

An evening with author Elie Wiesel is also planned for Thursday, Feb. 7.

Several related exhibits will be running concurrently with the museum exhibit. Image and Reality, a show of drawings from the Terezin concentration camp put together by the Klutznick B'nai B'rith Museum of Washington, co-sponsored by the museum and Longue Vue House and Gardens, will run to Feb. 10.

Temple Sinai will have exhibits to Feb. 10: America's Bohemian Jews — A Precious Legacy; Jewish Ceremonial Art from the Temple Sinai Collection; and the Weinberg Gallery of Jewish Art and Artists.

Book shows popularity of bed-breakfast idea

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

In Europe, the bed-and-breakfast concept is as old as the hills. But in Canada, it is fairly new.

The idea of spending a night in a stranger's house, rather than in a hotel room, is still somewhat of an alien concept in this country. In Europe, however, bed and breakfast is common.

Anyone who has spent any time in Europe, and particularly in England, knows that the bed and breakfast plan is infinitely cheaper, usually just as comfortable and certainly far more friendly than a room in a hotel.

Bed and breakfast, on a perceptible scale, probably came to Canada during Montreal's Expo 67, when rooms were in short supply. With the hotels and motels simply unable to cope with the booming business, Expo asked homeowners to open up their homes to the tourists descending on Montreal.

Visions of a fast buck dancing in their minds, many Montrealers responded to the call. Bed and breakfast was thereby institutionalized in Montreal. Predictably enough, word spread, and soon, bed and breakfast facilities were available all over Canada.

The Canadian Bed & Breakfast Guide (Fitzhenry & Whiteside, $10.95) is evidence of the fact that a traveler can now book into a private home from Newfoundland to the Northwest Territories.

Gerda Pantel's handy guide, reportedly the first of its kind ever to be published in Canada, has more than 1,300 listings in cities, towns and rural areas. This is her new, enlarged edition.

Listings include all prices, accommodation type, restrictions (if any), special features, local attractions and comments by the author.

Pantel knows her subject. A medical library technician from Burlington, Ont., she is a bed and breakfast hostess who's familiar with the advantages and disadvantages of this time-honored alternative to expensive and often sterile lodging.

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Snowcapped mountains surround city

Innsbruck's peaks lure skiers from around the world

By JAMES MONTAGNES

INNSBRUCK, Austria — In mid-October I watched the happy skiers coming down from 10,000-foot (about 3,000 metres) high snowcapped peaks. They came by the hundreds in vari-colored padded clothing, walking in their heavy ski boots, carrying their skis, to dozens of waiting buses from a number of Western European countries.

It was no special day — just a glorious sunny cold Sunday — bringing ski fans from Austria, Germany, Sweden, Netherlands, France, Great Britain and some from North America soon after the first new snows had fallen in the Austrian Alps.

The snowcapped Stubai peaks in the area of Neustift make glacier skiing a possibility close to this ancient town which has seen two Winter Olympics, 1964 and 1976.

Excellent expressways and highways, partly through the Brenner Pass, provide good communication. The road is lined with unique small inns — not as on North American expressways in an unending line — but intermittenly in small green valleys where cows were grazing and you could hear the bells on the older cows sounding cheerily.

We had come some 5,000 feet up from Innsbruck, so some of our small group of North American travel writers could venture by gondola lift to the 10,000-foot level for a panoramic view and to see the other ski lifts emanating from this high point to still higher parts of the glacier and to lower ski trails. There are numerous chairlifts for the avid skier from the 10,000-foot level.

With Canadian currency enjoying good exchange rates in Austria it is possible to have a reasonably-priced ski vacation there, despite the air fare to get to Austria.

Hotel prices, mostly with breakfast, room and board, range from $20 to $40 per person per day, and considerably less in guest houses and boarding houses.

Ski lift tickets are not expensive and are interchangeable on a number of regional lifts. There are package tours as well.

While much of the Tyrol region became famous because of its scenic summers, it has been making the most of its winter sports fame over the past century when snow sports really started. Most Tyrolean places are now prepared for winter vacationers.

Skiing is the main sport, and 1,173 cableways and lifts serve the tens of thousands of skiers. This winter there are 50 cableways — 4-passenger gondola lifts, 7 funiculars, dozens of single, double and triple chairlifts, and just about 900 various type of drag lifts. Together they can carry more than 300,000 skiers per hour.

I visited a few of the small, modern, balconied and comfortable hotels in the Tyrol, found most of the rooms comfortably, some even luxuriously equipped, and 328 hotels with indoor swimming pools, 290 with saunas and many with fitness facilities.

Many of the resorts operate ski schools, altogether 132 ski schools using 1,600 state registered instructors and even more auxiliary instructors when needed.

There are ski schools for all ages, from the kindergarten set to seniors who want to take up the hobby or update their past experience.

Also the Tyrol has dozens of cross-country groomed ski trails, some 125 skating rinks of which a number use artificial ice, and some 60 officially recognized toboggan runs. They will even show you how to navigate that dangerous sport.

Innsbruck is an 800-year-old city of some 125,000 people surrounded by snowcapped mountains. It is almost 2,000 feet above sea level, filled with monuments to historic events and personalities, good small hotels, gourmet and first class dining spots, and good shopping.

Sightseeing buses will take you to the site of the Olympic ski jump, or you can walk there . . . uphill.

From the bottom of the ski jump there is a fine overlook over the city. As you look down you'll envision the city as the ski jumper saw fit — he or she expected to land in the middle of the city's main cemetery! It seems directly below the ski jump, but actually the ski landing slope is quite a piece above the cemetery.

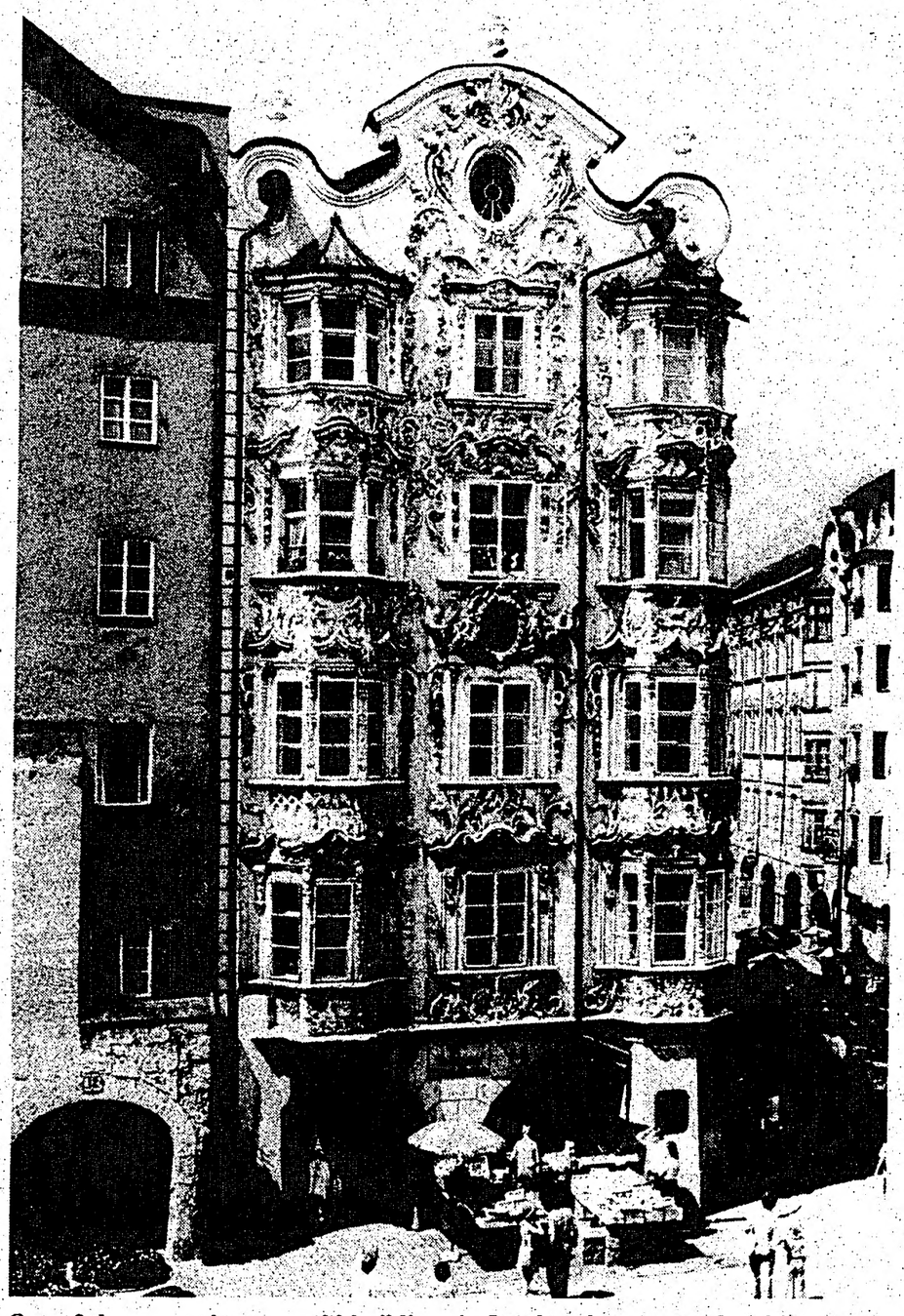
There is an Olympic Museum, a one-time ducal palace, with memorabilia of the two winter games held in the city, photos and medals of ski winners, and much else.

The exterior of the museum dates back in its architecture to the Middle Ages, and nearby are other unusual medieval and baroque ornate buildings which were there long before the modern Olympics were started late last century.

Among many museums, do not miss the 16th century Hofkirche, Court Church, with its 28 over life-size bronze statues of royal personalities of that time. Included is a statue of legendary King Arthur of England.

Other old places include the Goldener Adler, Golden Eagle, an inn dating back to the 16th century, where famous German poet Johann Wolfgang von Goethe used to stay and where this travel writer ate a memorable meal.

Innsbruck has no synagogue but has a Jewish Community Centre on Zollerstrasse.



One of the ornate baroque old buildings in Innsbruck, a centre for ski resorts in Austria.

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Travel

City famous for more than cheese

Amsterdam offers wide selection of food to sample

By
ESTHER FISHER

AMSTERDAM — While some visitors to Amsterdam may spend their time tiptoeing through the tulips, others are working up an appetite touring museums and art galleries and dodging the thousands of bicyclers that crowd the city streets.

It's certainly no problem to find places to assuage hunger in Amsterdam; the difficulty lies in trying to decide which of the many types of Dutch food to sample.

It's not just cheese and herring that Holland is famous for. There's an abundance of fresh seafood of all types, beautiful white asparagus served as a main course by itself; domestic and imported fruits including the Sabra fruit from Israel; rich, creamy desserts and, of course, Dutch chocolate.

Whether it's simple or exotic fare you fancy, Amsterdam has it within easy reach.

Wherever the eye turns in downtown Amsterdam, there are dozens of eateries. Even the glass-covered canal boats feature a candlelight wine-and-cheese tour of the city.

The narrow streets are crowded with sandwich shops, sweet shops, outdoor cafes, snack bars and restaurants — French, Hungarian, Greek, Turkish, Spanish, Mexican, Indian and Indonesian. You name it, they have it.

A holdover from Dutch colonial days, when Dutchmen brought back recipes and spices from southeast Asia, the taste for Indonesian food persists.

The risjttafel (rice table) featured in many Indonesian restaurants consists of several types of rice served with some 20 exotic dishes such as gado-gado (vegetable salad with hot peanut sauce); kebobs of barbecued meat; samal (hot pepper condiment); fish and coconut fritters; perkedel ikan soerabaya (baked eggplant in hot sauce); and fried bananas.

While Indonesian restaurants are common elsewhere, few cities offer native Dutch cooking. To promote interest in traditional Dutch dishes made almost entirely with native produce, Neerlands Dis, a branch of the Netherlands National Tourist Office, lists over 200 restaurants throughout the country where real Dutch cooking is available.

Honest, down-to earth food, simply prepared is the byword for Neerlands Dis restaurants. Hearty soups, rich hotpots, subtle fish dishes, delectable desserts are some of the treats they offer.

Preparation and seasoning of the food is not complicated and each ingredient is distinguishable.

As guest of Marlies Lang, project manager of Neerlands Dis, I dined at Dorrius, a traditional Dutch restaurant that advertises itself as Holland's Gerechten Feest. The atmosphere was warm, informal and friendly; the menu jammed with dairy, fish and vegetable dishes.

North Sea herring, once the staple of the European poor, emerges as hendrika, freshly caught salt herring, not in sour cream, but in a superb cream sauce.

The summer salad of tomatoes, leeks, mushrooms and green beans was a refreshing surprise — so much more appetizing than our usual lettuce salad here.

Hot appetizers included polleke toast (several types of fried mushrooms) and fried sole with hollandaise sauce.

Main course fish dishes are either fried, poached, grilled or baked en croute, all made with the freshest of fresh ingredients.

Meat dishes are also available, but when I'm near the sea, I dine almost exclusively on products from the daily catch.

Dutch cheeses are featured at Dorrius in a hot cheese souffle, and for dessert. But there are dozens of other ways to prepare Edam and Gouda, the Dutch cheese most frequently found in Canada.

Canada "salute" planned

SURFSIDE, Fla. — Preparations are under way in this popular vacation spot just north of Miami Beach for the 20th annual Salute to Canada celebration March 11-17. The extravaganza features cultural, entertainment and sports activities as well as an ever popular beauty pageant.

"We will have a more diversified range of events this year with more involvement of Canadian talent," says Arthur Frischman, chairman of the Surfside Tourist Board, sponsor of the celebration.

U.S. and Canadian dignitaries as well as local leaders will take part in the opening ceremonies in this community, which encompassed the area from 88th to 96th Streets on Dade County's oceanside. Surfside merchants and hotels will be offering specials during the celebration.

And if you're in the area earlier, you can take part in Surfside's 50th anniversary celebrations Feb. 22-24.

"It will be a fun-filled weekend for all members of the family to complement the activities which have established our community as a prime tourist destination," says Vice-Mayor Mickey Novak, chairman of the observance.

Highlighting the celebrations will be a big name entertainment program.

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Swamp Buggy Races kick off

Florida offers variety of winter events

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

One of the craziest events to take place in Florida this winter will be the annual Swamp Buggy Races on Feb. 24 in Naples.

Always held the last Sunday in February the race takes place on the waistdeep Mile-O-Mud track in this west coast town. The buggies in the race were originally designed by hunters to take them through the bogs of the Everglades.

Probably the richest horse race in Florida is the Florida Derby, with over $200,000 in prizes. It attracts leaders in the 3-year-old class from all over the continent. The race is at Hallandale, north of Miami, runs from mid-March to early April, and the festivities include an art show, beauty pageant, shopping spree, tennis classics, and street parties.

Throughout the winter there are events in places other than the Miami area. Here are some of the more interesting events, month by month:

JANUARY

If you think the garden game of croquet is extinct, you should come to the Palm Beach Croquet Club Annual Invitational held the last few days of January. Top national and international croquet stars compete at the Breakers Hotel during this major event.

There will be an International Kite Fly-off at Sarasota in mid-January. It is on Ben Franklin Drive — Franklin was not only a statesman but also a kite flier — and there will be prizes for various categories of kite flying at Lido Beach.

The Scottish Highland Games will be at Orlando on Jan. 19, will include Highland dancing, piping as well as athletic events. And when you have had enough of that there are many commercial attractions in the area such as Disneyland, Epcot Centre, and others.

FEBRUARY

On Feb. 11 at Tampa the Gasparilla Invasion takes place, when pirates under descendants of Jose Caspar take over the town, capture the city fathers, and parade through the city in swashbuckler costumes like their forebears of centuries ago. Some 500 "pirates" take part in the festivals, coming into the harbor by ship.

At Fort Myers the Edison Pageant of Light is held the second week of February with a parade of light, visits to the home and laboratories of Thomas Edison who made his winter home here.

At Daytona Beach there are auto races the first two weeks of the month culminating in the Daytona 500, one of the most important 500-mile stock car races in the world.

In Sarasota the Asolo Theatre Season starts on Feb. 21 and will go on with performances in this restored old Italian theatre till Labor Day. During its seven months of performances well known international plays will be presented.

MARCH

At Kissimmee in central Florida the Bluegrass Festival is held the second weekend in March with bands and individual bluegrass music performers.

There is an All-Florida Rodeo at Arcadia in the south central part of the state. It is a real Western rodeo, held here since 1929 in mid-March, with calf roping, saddle bronc riding and bull riding.

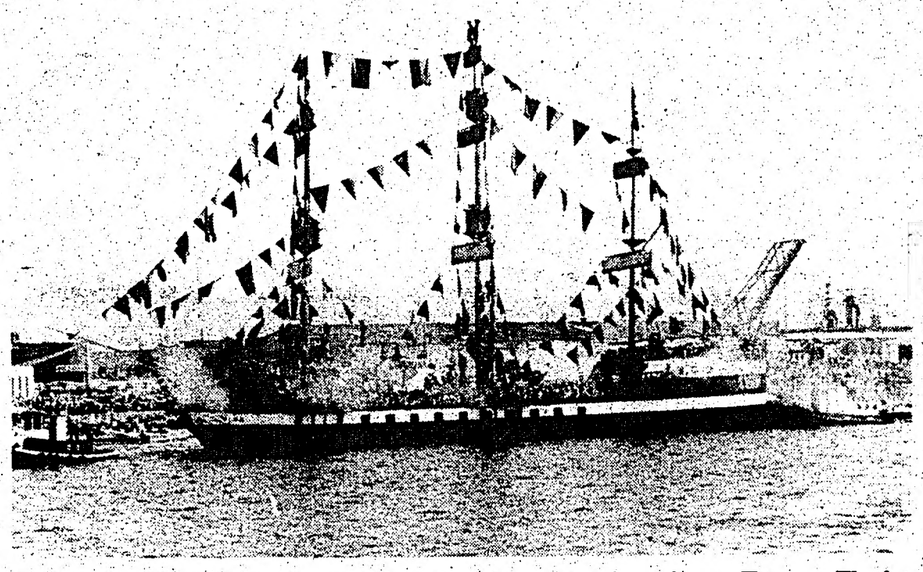
Ringling Museums at Sarasota has a Medieval Fair in mid-March with jousting tournaments by knights on horseback, a human chess match, archery contests and concerts.

Canada Week is celebrated at Surfside in the Miami area the second week of March with a beauty contest, sport events, musical revues and dances.

APRIL

The 1539 landing of Hernando de Soto at Bradenton is re-enacted there in mid-April with a week of celebrations and parade of Spanish conquistadores.

The Daytona Beach Music Festival runs from mid-April for a month with marching bands, concert and jazz bands, choirs and glee clubs from a number of states.



The pirate ship Jose Gasparilla which brings a pirate invasion to Tampa, Florida, early in February.

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Czech-born Eben excelled in Canadian football

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When McMaster quarterback Phil Scarfone received the Hec Creighton Trophy recently, it was another onetime Creighton Trophy winner who momentarily shared the spotlight with him.

Mike Eben, winner back in 1968, presented Scarfone with the trophy as the most valuable college football player in Canada.

Eben ought to be a familiar name to football fans. After a top-flight college career, Eben joined the pro ranks and thrilled fans with some spectacular receptions and overall quality play "good Canadians" are known for.

Today Eben is a member of a fraternity of special athletes. These competitors are not only able to sustain their physical prowess beyond their peak years, but can simultaneously expand this intense dedication beyond athletics into everyday life.

Eben, 38, perhaps exemplifies the success story of the now-popular term "student-athlete." He was a much heralded university and Canadian Football League wide receiver in the 60s and 70s and a Maccabiah basketball hopeful earlier this year.

Eben has also managed to complete his MA and PhD in German during his athletic career to become a full time professor at York University as well as assistant coach of the Yeoman football team.

Born just northwest of Prague, Czechoslovakia, Eben spent the early years of his life in the Sudetenland.

After emigrating to Canada in 1949, the Eben family joined other Czech emigres in St. Catharines as fruit pickers. The family eventually settled in Toronto where Eben's father, Peter, opened Active Surplus at Queen and Beverley with partner Frank Kohn.

While still a child growing up in Toronto, Eben began to cultivate his interest in sport as early as his public school days. "Even though my parents were very uninterested in sports, they never inhibited me. I must say, as a child, if I ever got into trouble at home, it was because I was late from running around playing soccer," recalls Eben.

Eben's European background accounted for soccer being his favorite sport until he was introduced to the North American pasttimes of basketball and football while attending Vaughan Road C.I. in Toronto. Even though Eben was already 16 by the time he became familiarized with these two games, his natural athletic ability allowed him to excel both on the court and on the field.

His ability did not go unnoticed as he won a myriad of athletic honors as school and city all-star (in basketball and football) culminating in being honored as the school's outstanding athlete during his senior year.

His entry into collegiate football began with the University of Toronto Blues during the 1964-65 season. He landed a starting job as wide receiver after his first tryout, and was named All-Canadian in that position during all four seasons with the Blues.

After the team's lacklustre performance during Eben's first season, Toronto defeated the University of Alberta to win the school's only Vanier Cup championship. The 67-68 season saw even greater accolades come his way, as Eben was named winner of the Hec Creighton Award.

Upon completing a 4-year degree in modern languages and literature, Eben was chosen as the number 1 draft pick of the then cellar-dwelling BC Lions of the Canadian Football League.

Eben however was adamant about not going to BC — he wanted to continue his studies in Toronto. Despite many complimentary dinners by the B.C. organization, he would not be dissuaded from his stand. Even after receiving letters of invitation to NFL training camps in Dallas and Green Bay, he was intent on staying put.

"I think back on that with some second thoughts, but it's neither here nor there now, of course," Eben explained.

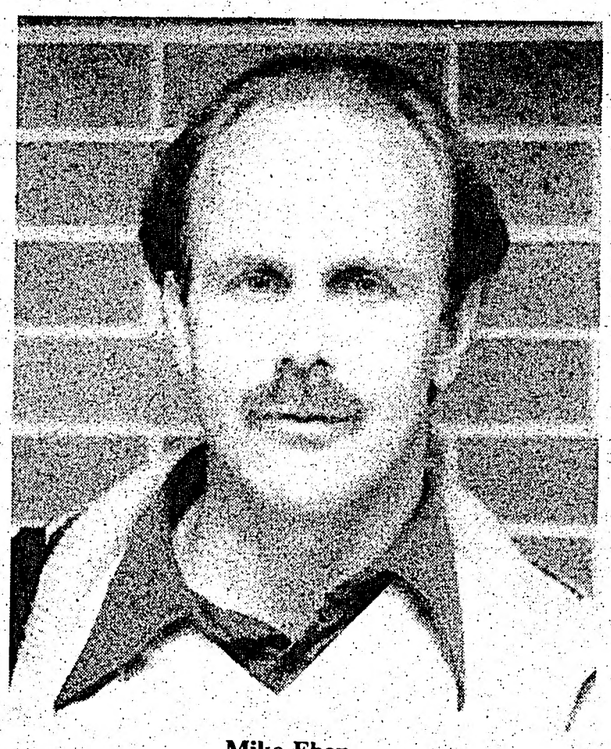
"I had a bit of a dodgy impression of what an utter commitment pro football in the States would mean. I knew the system in Canada was a little more flexible, and that meant something to me, so I stayed here."

After many months of wrangling with the Lions, the Argos traded for Eben in summer of 68. He signed with the club for $8,500 and a $1,500 signing bonus — a substantial amount for a homebrew player back then.

His first season with the Argos, under coach Leo Cahill, was not a spectacular one. At that time the Argos had a very well entrenched receiver in Bobby Taylor. "Bobby and I didn't really hit it off that well, maybe because he felt somewhat threatened and I felt I was a good receiver, even though I was green as grass coming out of university."

In 1970 Eben was "loaned" for the first time in CFL history, to the Edmonton Eskimos on condition he be returned the following year. It became apparent the Argos didn't need a wide receiver at that point while Edmonton did, and this way Eben would gain some valuable playing time.

When Eben returned to Toronto in 71, the Argos



Mike Eben

were loaded with high-price American talent, including Joe Theismann and Jim Stillwagon.

Despite being hospitalized with a few broken ribs and a punctured lung suffered during the Eastern final against Hamilton, Eben was still in the process of studying for his exams — even during Grey Cup week — since they were scheduled for the week after.

Eben passed his exams, but as history shows, the Argos failed. They lost the Grey Cup 14-11 to the Calgary Stampeders.

After some productive years as a receiver, Eben started teaching at York University in 1976; but it soon became difficult to combine teaching and pro football. Often practices would begin at mid-day, as opposed to the late afternoon routine he was used to. That made him do a lot of "shlepping back and forth." That routine continued until 1978, when he closed out his 10-year playing career to concentrate on teaching.

Today one of the courses Eben teaches at York, Ideology and Morality, deals with the Holocaust era.

Interestingly enough, Eben was never raised in a Jewish home environment. His father, a secular Jew, married a non-Jewish British woman. Although most of his friends and fellow Czech emigres were Jewish, Eben's own sense of the religion did not emerge until three years ago, when his father passed away. "Culturally, I feel much more akin to my father's side," Eben says.

Although he has been out of professional sport for seven years, Eben's competitive spirit has yet to wane. Twice he has tried out for the Maccabiah basketball team (in 1981 and for the 85 squad) only to be cut in the late stages of the tryouts.

This year's coach, Bob Bain, who also handles York's basketball team, marvels at Eben's physical conditioning. "He's a superbly conditioned athlete with some very natural skills, not just for basketball, but for all sports," commented Bain.

— Elissa Freeman

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Did Winnipeg Blue Bomber quarterback John Shneider really set a CFL record by completing a pass to a fan sitting in row 6?

The CJN sports desk has been virtually inundated with calls and letters disputing the authenticity of the claim that Shneider was given credit for the completion (CJN Nov. 22), and asking whether the Bombers were so bad in 68 that the fan's grab constituted one of the highlights of the season.

Well, I'll come clean. The completion to the fan did **not** make it into the record book (please excuse the hyperbole) but the Bombers really were that bad in 68.

In fact, the real highlights of the season didn't take place on the gridiron itself, but high up above the turf of Winnipeg Stadium where "Cactus" Jack Wells did the play-by-play of the "action" on the field.

For the younger crowd out there, Jack Wells is the father of John, who, at last reports (before they cut off my pay TV service) was working for The Sports Network.

The only action and color in Bomber games back then came over the radio as Wells described the games in a way that may never be repeated. Who can forget his lyrical play-calling: "hi-diddle-diddle, it's Houmard up the middle;" or, "it's the fake to Houmard...and he takes it."

No one ever called a game like "Cactus" Jack. He added drama and excitement to a team that provided none. His description of a fieldgoal attempt: "They tee it up. It's up, up, up...it's blocked," or, "it's third down and enough land to start a farm."

On the rare occasions when the Bombers appeared to be rallying: "Ho-ho, don't sell the farm yet, mother."

Yes Virginia, the Bombers really were that bad back then, but Wells more than made up for it.

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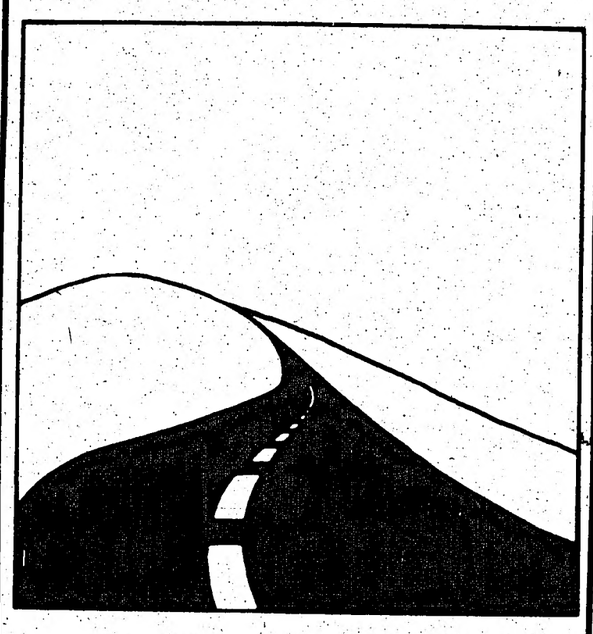

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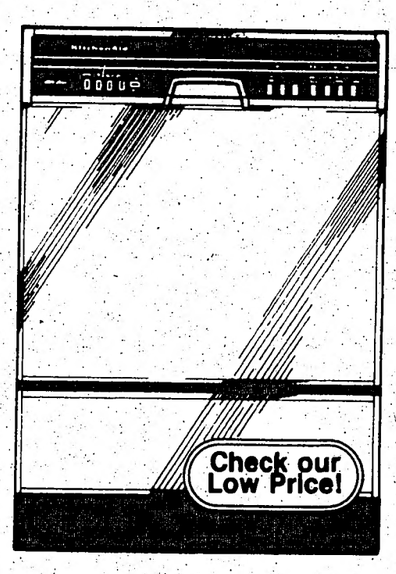

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71-year-old needs no annuity contract change

The Readers Ask

By

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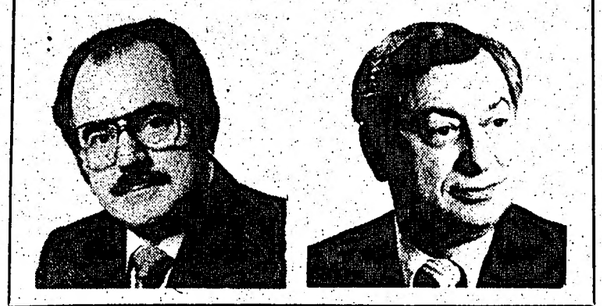

Question: I arranged an annuity in April in which the monthly payment is to begin January of 1985. The insurance company sent me a letter saying that they believe that I must receive the first income payment before Dec. 31, 1984 because I am age 71. They have told me that Revenue Canada may deregister the annuity if I am audited. Am I in trouble? Should I have the company change the annuity contract?

Answer: This is a problem that has brought us a number of enquiries, so we went to Revenue Canada for an opinion. Their answer is as follows:

The plan must **not** provide for maturity after the year in which the annuitant turns 71. The Income Tax Act defines maturity as the date fixed for the commencement of any retirement income. This fixed date is considered to be the date the annuity contract was purchased. Therefore, since the annuity contract was purchased in the year in which the annuitant turned 71, the fact that the annuity payments are not received until 1985 does not affect the registration of the plan.

The answers to your questions are, **no**, you are not in trouble and no change in the annuity contract is required.

Question: 1984 was my retirement year. I had a vacation benefit of almost $11,000 paid to me. Can I roll this into an RRSP?

Answer: Only a retirement allowance can be rolled into an RRSP. The Income Tax Act states that "a retirement allowance means an amount received upon or after retirement from an office or employment in recognition of long service or in respect of loss of office or employment (other than a superannuation or pension benefit), whether the recipient is the officer or employee or a dependent, relation or legal representative."

The key words are "in recognition." These mean that the payment must be voluntary, not because it is required by law.

Therefore, any payment that is voluntary and made by the employer at retirement or after retirement, is accepted by Revenue Canada as a retiring allowance. Since payment at retirement for accrued vacation pay is required by law, it is not a voluntary payment and does not qualify as a retiring allowance. It does, however, count as earned income and can be included, up to 20%, or $5,500, for your 1984 RRSP contribution.

Question: Is it true that women are paid less money on annuities and pensions than men are for the same amount paid in? Is this fair? Can anything be done to change it?

Answer: Yes it is true. Women are paid less than men for the same amount of money. But, it is not unfair at all. Statistics show that women live longer than men do and therefore collect longer than their male counterparts.

In a group of 10,000 males, in good health, all exactly age 65, who purchase a life annuity guaranteed 10 years, the average expected payment is for 18.2 years.

Using the same specifications for a group of 10,000 females the average expected payment is for 20.7 years.

Using the tables on this page, the average male with $50,000 will receive $521.56 X 12 months X 18.2 years = $113,908 The average female will receive $506.96 X 12 X 20.7 years = $125,928.

The average female actually receives more money than the average male, but that is not unfair either because it is created by extra interest over the extra period of elongated payments.

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All questions on annuities or RRSP's should be directed to Sherr, Bergstein Annuity Insurance Agency, 272 Lawrence Avenue W., Suite 203, Toronto, Ontario, M5M 4M1. Phone (416) 787-4517.

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No Guaranteed Term	71	701.08	616.46
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CRTC ruling will bar abusive programming

OTTAWA —

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission has enacted new regulations to keep sexually abusive comments and discriminatory programming off the air.

The new regulations borrow from the language of the defamatory libel section of the Criminal Code and human rights legislation to prohibit "any abusive comment that...tends to or is likely to expose an individual or a group or class of individuals to hatred or contempt on the basis of race, national or ethnic origin, color, religion, sex, age or mental or physical disability."

The enactment strengthens existing television, AM and FM radio regulations, which previously had barred abusive programming only on the basis of race or religion, and curbs pay TV broadcasts for the first time.

In announcing the new regulations, Andre Bureau, CRTC chairman, said "the commission has recognized the widespread concern expressed by the public and a number of interest groups who considered the content of some radio, television and pay television programming to be abusive."

Plans by First Choice pay-TV network to run Playboy programming in 1983 prompted a public outcry which, in part, affected the regulation review.

During the drafting concerns were raised that a conflict might arise with the Charter of Rights, but after consultations with the Justice department, pay TV operators and interested groups, the CRTC proposed the changes in July.

On a separate issue, the CRTC asked each broadcaster to submit a report describing initiatives taken regarding sex-role stereotyping to determine the effectiveness of self-regulation.

The CRTC will publish a summary report on sex-role stereotyping in the spring of 1985, which will include an analysis of all correspondence received from the public during the past two years.

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Business Outlook

Merchants' refunds not set by law

TORONTO —

Ontario merchants are not obliged to give refunds or exchanges, even if Granny does get three electric sock warmers as a holiday gift.

In fact, stores don't have to take back any merchandise, unless they have agreed in writing to do so.

Many customers mistakenly believe they have a right under the law to return goods, only discovering the truth when they get stuck with unwanted purchases.

The Business Practices Act, administered by the provincial ministry of consumer and commercial relations (MCCR), does offer protection against false, misleading or deceptive claims.

Under the act, consumers may request a refund or exchange within six months of purchasing a product they believe does not live up to sales or advertising claims.

But the best way to avoid problems is to shop carefully, particularly when buying a gift. Know clothing size, color preferences, and other necessary details before spending any money.

When buying an appliance, always be sure it is covered by a satisfactory warranty.

For health reasons, stores normally won't take back such personal clothing as underwear or swimsuits.

Comparison shopping at reputable stores will help avoid regrets over a purchase and should all but eliminate the need to seek refunds.

To be safe, check refund and exchange policies in advance. Although they do not have to do so, many retailers post notices at checkout counters explaining their terms for accepting returns.

Some shops offer refunds of the full price. Others issue credit notes that can be used on future purchases in the store.

Unless an item is custom-made, many retailers allow customers to exchange items they do not want for similarly-priced merchandise. And there are shops which adopt an "all sales final" policy.

If no signs are posted, ask the following questions:

- Are full refunds offered? If not, what form of compensation, if any, is available?
- At stores which allow returns of some kind, find out what proof of purchase is required. Is sales slip, cancelled check or charge account bill needed?
- Does the merchandise have to be in its original packaging, totally unused, with labels still attached?
- Do returns have to be made within a specified time?

In order to take advantage of refund or exchange privileges, be sure to comply with all the store's requirements and have a valid reason for taking back merchandise.

Handling returns costs the retailer money and the expense may be reflected in higher prices.

Some merchants charge customers returning goods 10% or more of the original price to cover the cost of putting the item back on the shelf.

Occasionally, stores may find a reason for refusing to take back merchandise, despite policies. Explain the situation calmly to a sales clerk, then go to the manager if necessary.

Be prepared to compromise — perhaps by taking an exchange instead of a refund or agreeing to have the store repair the item free.

If an agreeable solution isn't found, send a registered letter to the person in charge or hand deliver it. Include your name, address and phone number, a full description of the product purchased, when it was bought and the price.

Send copies of receipts or other documentation. Outline the complaint, how it has been dealt with so far and propose a solution.

For information on how to deal with misleading claims under the Business Practices Act or further details about refunds and exchanges, call the ministry's Consumer Information Centre at (416) 963-1111 or toll free at 1-800-268-1142.

Little bit of stress a useful part of life

By DAVID PIERSON

TORONTO —

Stress. It's a word that conjures up negative images like high blood pressure, migraine headaches, heart attacks and ulcers.

But stress is not all bad. It can be a good thing. Without a certain amount of stress we wouldn't feel the need to get the adrenalin flowing and knuckle down to the task at hand.

But stress becomes painful when the adrenalin rush wears off and the tension remains. Many an executive has complained of the "Friday night migraine."

According to the Canadian Institute of Stress, stress-related disabilities, including lower productivity, lost working days, medical payment and worker replacement cost Canadian business some $13 billion per year.

"Two million Canadians suffer from hypertension and 3.2 million work days are lost each year due to stress," Reva Starr, director of the Small Business Network, said at a recent SBN meeting.

Along with Jane Crombie, of the YWCA life skills program, Starr outlined ways to reduce negative stress triggered by family and work environments.

One of the best stress reducers, Starr said, is to take five minutes and simply relax, letting all the tension out when things are getting too hectic.

"If you catch yourself getting too wound up, then do like the ads say — take five to revive."

Shared bank loans termed advantageous

TORONTO —

John McMillan, a director of Bank Leumi (Canada) and chairman of its loan committee, told more than 250 chartered accountants in a bank-sponsored business seminar recently that the introduction of a second bank into a loan situation can be advantageous in certain circumstances.

He said it might be worthwhile for the accountants to consider the potential benefits for their clients in using the services of a bank such as Leumi.

The program, held at the Inn on the Park, featured three speakers, all partners of the Toronto law firm of Goodman and Carr. Barry Spiegel spoke on Shareholders' Agreements while Sydney Goldenberg chose the subject, Wrongful Dismissal. Wolfe Goodman, widely known as an expert on tax matters, discussed Tax Aspects of Estate Planning.

Moshe Rosen, president of the bank in Canada, gave the group an overview of the worldwide activities of Bank Leumi and spoke about its operation in this country. Rosen said the bank has made good progress since opening in Toronto a little over two years ago and more recently in Montreal, and he anticipated further continuing growth.

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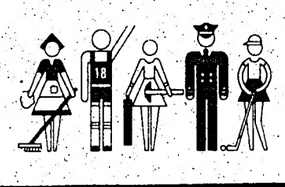

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Melman-Wasserman, Golda on November 30, 1984, late of Jewish Home For The Aged.
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One of the JCC's many activities gives seniors the chance to exercise their vocal cords. Seen here are the JCC Singers, who perform at JCC functions and community events.

Kids study rockets in new JCC activity

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
In a small room in a building in North York, a group of curious onlookers gather around a man in a lab coat as he discusses the components that go into making a practical, working rocket.

A group of terrorists meeting with their ringleader?

Hardly. The only people this group terrorizes are their parents and teachers. The location of the "lab" is the northern branch of the Jewish Community Centre and the enraptured audience studying the technology of rocketry are children participating in 5,4,3,2,1-Blastoff, a new science program geared to capture the interest of today's stimulus-hungry young people.

The activity is representative of a new breed of programming adopted by the northern JCC to make the Centre more attractive to children and teens while keeping them inside a Jewish environment.

Services for children, teens, singles and the good age club have been reorganized and revamped, says JCC public relations director Marilyn Lazar Seligman. Where once they came under the jurisdiction of individual departments, they now come under the catch all umbrella of Community and Family Services.

Along with the organizational shakeup has come a change in philosophy. The JCC now aims at programming that "would be progressive and that will keep the kids at the Centre," says Orian Feldman, director of Community and Family Services.

"Our intention is that as we get to know the children we can build on what they've learned and extend the youth programming," she says.

The result, she adds, is that hopefully "the JCC will be a family centre. We want to keep the Jewish family in the JCC by offering them the best in education, programming and staff."

So, in keeping with that approach, 5,4,3,2,1-Blastoff will be supervised by a pro — Hillel Diamond, founder of the Canadian Rocket Society. The kids will get hands on experience and instruction from an expert on a subject near and dear to the hearts of all Star Wars enthusiasts.

Other programs for kids aged 5-11 include: cabbage patch stitching, which will replace the general sewing program; top hats and rabbits, taught by magician-lawyer-psychologist Marvin Somers; computer programming; and a program in the popular board game game Dungeons and Dragons is offered.

Feldman is also looking at reintroducing teen dances and arranging joint programming with the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization.

Why the sudden emphasis on programming for youth?

The JCC found that once children reached 5 years of age, their participation in Centre programming dropped off dramatically, Feldman says. There are so many distractions for today's sophisticated teens, that programs weren't keeping pace. The new programs are an effort to counter that trend, she added.

Programming for children under 5 hasn't suffered however — in fact, demand is booming. Early childhood services for pre-schoolers start for children as young as 3 months and there is a program for 2-year-olds, a special nursery school for 3-year-olds, a 4-year-old junior kindergarten and a 5-year-old senior kindergarten.

Approximately 600 children participate in the early childhood programs, and there's a waiting list of about 100.

What makes the JCC's pre-school so special, Feldman says, is the availability of facilities such as the gym, the pool, theatre, art gallery coupled with a Jewish environment.

You don't have to be a kid to benefit from the revamped community services branch, Feldman adds. Public Affairs and Continuing Education has altered its programming to reflect the needs of today's adults. Programs now stretch over only four weeks (down from 10) and many of the programs are geared to help relieve "that 20th century disease — stress," Seligman says.

Reflexology, the art of natural healing based on the premise there are points on the feet and hands that correspond to different organs and glands in the body, is one of the health-oriented courses offered, as is holistic medicine, communicating skills and a course in parenting.

There are also new programs for the elderly to go along with popular existing ones, programs and coffee-houses for singles, discussion groups for new fathers and a special emphasis on integrating the disabled into existing programs and creating new programs for them.

On Dec. 25 a special Chanukah program is scheduled for the entire family, with a breakfast, free gym and swim, films and other activities offered.

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Multicultural grants discussed at meeting

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Representatives of major Jewish organizations met recently with members of the public service leadership of the Ontario ministry of citizenship and culture to discuss procedures in applying for multicultural service program grants.

Dr. Yehuda Lipsitz, executive director of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, told The CJN that in addition to CJC, the Toronto Jewish Congress, Board of Jewish Education, Jewish Immigrant Aid Services, United Jewish Welfare Fund, United Jewish Appeal and the Jewish Information Service were represented at the meeting, held at CJC offices on Bathurst.

The purpose of the meeting was to bring to the attention of the staff "how to be more successful in applying for a grant," he said.

Grants in a number of areas are available, he stated, including the arts, library and community information projects, heritage conservation and others.

The Jewish Immigrant Aid Services is considering applying for grants, according to Anne Bank, administrative assistant with JIAS. Funds may be available to go towards ongoing expenses and the agency's immigrant settlement programs, she said.

Up to $650,000 "will be dedicated to this program this fiscal year to strengthen the ministry's partnership with volunteer agencies," according to a Susan Fish, minister of citizenship and culture.

In an estimates statement presented recently to the standing committee on social development, a regular report by the ministry to describe its programs and justify the money it receives, Fish stated "financial support will be provided to assist qualifying organizations with operating costs on an ongoing basis.

"The size of the grant will be tied to the range and scale of programs offered within the ministry's multicultural mandate," she said.

In reviewing its immigrant assistance projects, the statement termed Ontario Welcome House its "flagship" program. Welcome House provides settlement and orientation services to recent immigrants in 33 languages, one of which is Yiddish, according to Daryl Novak, coordinator of public resources for the newcomer services branch. "There's a fair bit of contact with JIAS," Novak added.

Approximately 89,000 immigrants arrived in Canada in 1983, 22,000 of whom came to Metro Toronto, the report states. "Nearly one quarter of our residents today were born outside Canada and four Ontarians in 10 have ethnocultural origins other than British, French or Native," the report adds.

To help meet the needs of those immigrants, three storefront offices recently opened in North York, Mississauga and Scarborough, the report stated, and counselors there "provide clients with information and guidance concerning social services, health care, schools, housing, employment, shopping facilities and recreational activities."

Fish reported the Ontario Advisory Council on Multiculturalism and Citizenship, a special 60-member agency which provides the government with advice and recommendations, has been continued for a further term of five years. "The council members reflect the concerns of Ontario's multicultural communities," Fish stated.

Arab leaders part of problem

By
TOBY TROMPETER

TORONTO —
Violence on the West Bank can be traced directly to the refusal of Israel's Arab neighbors to negotiate a solution, according to a senior political analyst for Israel's Ma'ariv newspaper.

Avi Noam Bar Yosef told a group of students at York University to look behind the recent incidents of violence to the "real reasons" behind the events.

Pointing to the recent murder of two Jewish students and the missile fired at an Arab bus in East Jerusalem by a Jewish soldier, Bar Yosef said "when you can't find a solution, extremists arise on both sides who take the law into their own hands. It is not the Israelis' fault," he said. "It is the Arabs who don't want to negotiate."

No Arab leader wants to absorb the population of the West Bank, he continued. And extremist factions within the Palestine Liberation Organization refuse to allow a moderate leadership to arise in the territories that could negotiate a peaceful solution, he added.

Bar Yosef, 37, spoke here during a tour of Eastern Canadian college campuses sponsored by Network Canada, an umbrella organization of Jewish students and young adults. His tour took to him McMaster University, Dalhousie, Queens, McGill and elsewhere.

Bar Yosef is currently assigned by Ma'ariv to investigate the Mahteret, the new militant Jewish underground movement allegedly responsible for attacks on Arabs.

He told The CJN he was "surprised to find there is an understanding (among students) of the importance of the territories in terms of security, and of the Israeli argument that if you don't have the right to settle in Hebron, then neither do you have it in Tel Aviv.

"I tell them the facts of what's going on in the West Bank. If they have a clearer picture, it will be easier for them to stand up to the distortions in Arab campus propaganda," he stated.

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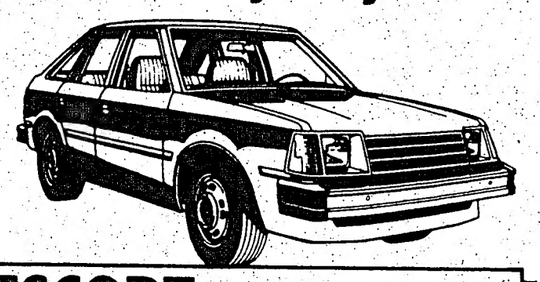

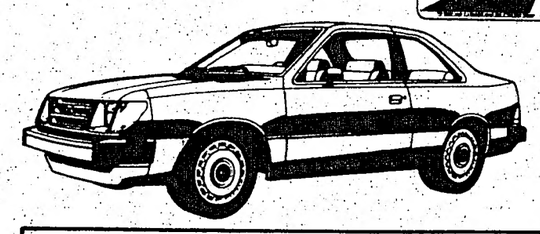

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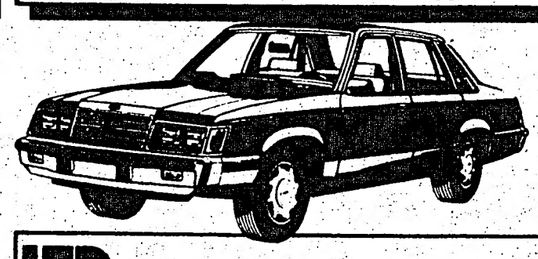

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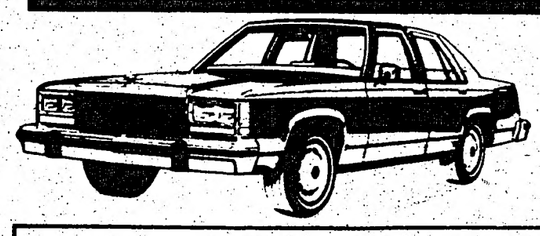

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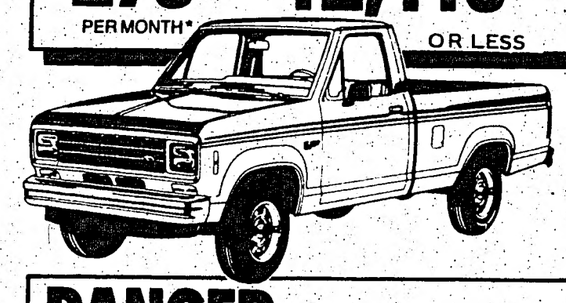

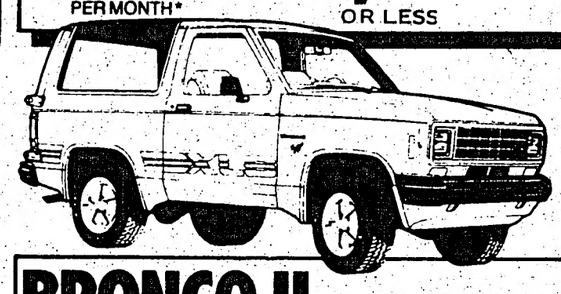

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